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## Keeping Healthy Amid H1N1

By Sarah K. Taylor

By now we've all heard almost everything we'd like to ever hear about H1N1 (swine flu), but since it has spread so close to home, and many of us work in public places and have children in schools where everyone is bumping elbows, gaining a little more knowledge couldn't hurt.

H1N1, according to the Massachusetts Department of Public Health, is a respiratory disease of



**Above:** Devoted brother and former New Bedford Fire Chief Roger Nadeau poses with an old fire truck that he is converting into a memorial engine to carry fallen firefighters in Massachusetts, and parts of Connecticut, Rhode Island, New Hampshire, and Maine. The engine was donated to Mr. Nadeau by the Weymouth fire department after it developed serious pump problems. Mr. Nadeau's firefighter brother Gerald died from respiratory problems after a 2002 Fall River fire, which led Mr. Nadeau to develop this idea to honor fallen firefighters. Mr. Nadeau hopes to raise money at the upcoming "Octopus's Garden" benefit on October 17 at the Seaport Inn in Fairhaven, at 7:00 pm to continue the engine's restoration. Both Mattapoisett and Marion firefighters will be among the many firefighters attending the October 17 benefit. Photo by Anne O'Brien-Kakley

**On the Cover:** Sparky, the Spokesdog for fire safety, waves to onlookers as he rides an antique fire engine at the 2009 Marion Fire Department Open House. Firefighters from the department served coffee, a hot breakfast, and allowed area residents to tour the facilities on the morning of October 10. Children enjoyed climbing on the engines and all the donuts they could eat. Photo by Anne O'Brien-Kakley

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pigs caused by a type of influenza virus. These outbreaks are common in pigs, and do not usually spread to people, but occasionally, human infections do occur, and as we now know, it is possible to spread from one person to another. H1N1's symptoms are very similar to the seasonal flu, with fever, cough, sore throat, and can even include body aches, headaches, chills and fatigue. Some people have experienced diarrhea and vomiting, and a



**Above:** Work on the Mattapoisett Fire Department continues with new windows and shingles. According to Chief Andrew Murray, plans for a new fire station in Mattapoisett are "on hold" for right now. Photo by Anne O'Brien-Kakley

## Don't Forget

Be sure to vote for your favorite Halloween cover from Oct. 17 to Oct. 26 on our web site:  
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small amount have become even sicker and died from this flu strain.

Amanda Stone, the Public Health Nurse for both Marion and Mattapoisett, is currently monitoring the confirmed local cases of H1N1 by using a Massachusetts Department of Public Health surveillance system called MAVEN (Massachusetts Virtual Epidemiologic Network).

Marion, Mattapoisett and Rochester's Boards of Health have all registered with the Massachusetts Department of Public Health to receive the vaccine for H1N1 as soon as it becomes available. Once the vaccine has been received by the Tri-Town, the Boards of Health will determine priority according to guidelines provided by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health. It is unknown at this time how much vaccine will be supplied on the local level, and those found to be most eligible will receive the first round.

The vaccine is recommended first for children, pregnant women, healthcare providers, anyone who is in regular contact with children under the age of six months, and anyone who has other health conditions that could put them at risk. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention are more concerned with vaccinating youth, which is considered at greater risk because of school, than elders at this point.

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virus. The nasal spray is made with live, weakened virus that should not cause the flu and is also known as LAIV, "live attenuated influenza vaccine." The shot is approved for babies over six months of age and pregnant women, and the nasal spray is approved for people between the ages of two and forty-nine, and not pregnant. Approximately two weeks after being vaccinated, antibodies against H1N1 develop in the body.

The Tri-Town's Health Departments are working in partnership with the local schools, which range from the licensed early childcare facilities up to High School, (Old Colony Regional Vocational Technical High School and Tabor Academy are included). Both the schools and the Boards of Health are interested in working together

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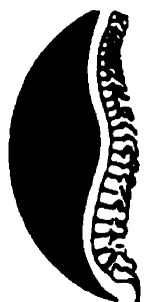
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The Massachusetts Department of Public Health's website regarding H1N1 is [www.mass.gov/dph/swineflu](http://www.mass.gov/dph/swineflu). The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's website is [www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov) and the Tri-Town's Boards of Health have continuously updated information regarding H1N1 on town websites.

### Margot Livesey to Speak at Library

**By Elizabeth East**

Author Margot Livesey will be the featured speaker at the Friends of the Mattapoissett Library's annual meeting, Sunday, **October 18**, 3:00 pm, at the library, 7 Barstow Street. The public is invited, books will be available for purchase, and refreshments will be served.

Ms. Livesey is the author of six novels: *Homework*, *Criminals*, *The Missing World*, *Eva Moves the Furniture*, and *Banishing Verona*. Her latest, *The House on Fortune Street*, is the winner of the L.L. Winship/PEN New England award. Of the book, Ms. Livesey wrote: "*The House on Fortune Street* began when a depressed ghost writer moved into the house next door in London. Something about this young man's struggles — eventually his parents had to come and take him home — made me think again about questions of luck and love and damage. Growing up, I was convinced that being an adult would solve all my problems. I was shocked to discover that early misfortune was no guarantee of later good luck. Yet some people do seem mysteriously lucky, or mysteriously unscathed. It made me think: What happens if two women, each with a difficult childhood, become friends and how will that friendship accommodate the ups and downs of romantic love?"

Martin Rubin of the *Los Angeles Times* wrote of the book: "It is, in the best sense of the term, a literary novel: Livesey invokes particular writers and even particular works to add resonance to her characters and their situations. Each of the novel's four sections has its own leitmotif: the poems of the great English Romantic John Keats, the life of Lewis Carroll, Charlotte Brontë's

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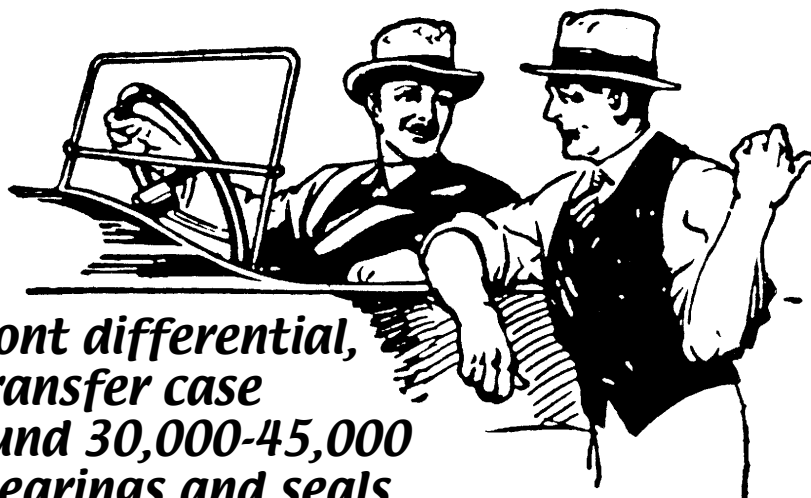
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Library Director Susan Pizzolato first met Ms. Livesey when the author came to read at the Wareham Free Library. Ms. Pizzolato said, "She's a wonderful speaker. Afterward, she attended a dinner party held in her honor, and she was so gracious to all. She fit right in, laughing at the stories guests told, asking questions, and appreciating the lovely food. Margot's genuine interest in those around her impressed me...she has such a busy schedule with writing and teaching, and must meet so many new people with each adventure. She never seemed rushed or gave the impression she wanted to leave us. What more could we have asked of an honored guest?" At the library's first book discussion group on Saturday, the small group discussed the novel, and the author's upcoming visit. Betty Jeanne Nooth, a member of the Friends, expressed her regret at

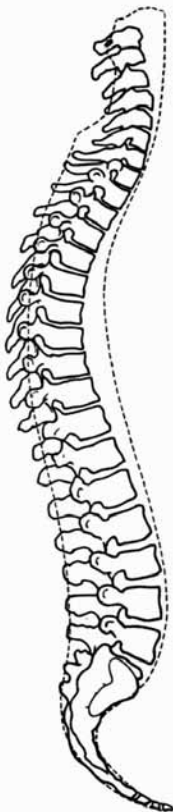
not being able to attend the meeting: "I've met Margot Livesey on a couple of occasions and she's a wonderful speaker with a lovely Scottish lilt."

Ms. Livesey grew up on the campus of a boys' private school in the Scottish Highlands, where her father taught and her mother was the school nurse. She took her B.A. in English and Philosophy at the University of York in England, and spent most of her twenties working in shops and restaurants while learning to write.

Ms. Livesey has taught at Boston University, Bowdoin College, Brandeis University, Carnegie Mellon, Cleveland State, Tufts, the University of California, Williams College, the Warren Wilson College M.F.A. program, and the Iowa Writers' Workshop. Ms. Livesey is currently a distinguished writer-in-residence at Emerson College, and lives in Cambridge with her husband, a painter.

When asked what brings her to town, Ms. Livesey said, "I am coming to Mattapoisett because Susan kindly invited me, and I have the highest regard for her literary taste. Also Mattapoisett is such a wonderful name. Being a writer in residence at Emerson definitely means that I teach — in my case two graduate fiction workshops. I am currently working on a new novel which is in that middle stage when I have nothing much to say. I have a pile of pages but at any moment they might shrink dramatically like a t-shirt in the dryer — it might disappear at any moment."

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## From Thailand to Tri-Town

By Anne O'Brien-Kakley

Three families in Marion will be home to three teachers from Thailand who are visiting the tri-town area from October 10 until October 21. AFS (formerly known as American Field Service) Intercultural Programs has facilitated this visit for the purpose of exchanging cultural knowledge and educational philosophies.

According to the AFS website ([www.afs.org](http://www.afs.org)), AFS is a non-profit group that is a leader in intercultural learning, and believes that providing a method for international and intercultural learning experiences encourages peace among nations. AFS provides \$1.5

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The three Thai teachers that are visiting the Tri-Town, Chulawan Bualuang, Nantwat Tanada, and Somrak Sinsomros, are part of a larger group of 12 Thai teachers who landed in New York City for some sightseeing before breaking up to visit various parts of the country to observe American teaching techniques. Many of these teachers leave behind families in Thailand, which makes their visit to America a bittersweet sacrifice.

Among the many people involved in organizing this AFS trip is National Council Member Elizabeth Leatham of Marion. Ms. Leatham works with a committee of nine volunteers across the country to facilitate teacher visits from other countries. Through her tireless efforts, this great undertaking has seemed less daunting for those involved. Others involved in preparing this trip include area residents Jessica Noblet, Kim Corrazzini and George Mendonca, who all volunteer for AFS.

The primary goal for the visit is so Thai teachers



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can visit schools within the Old Rochester Regional school district and observe American teaching methods while educating schools about their own teaching styles. In addition to the public schools within the ORR district, the teachers visited Tabor Academy, Apponequet Regional High School, and will visit U Mass Dartmouth on October 16. While in southeastern Massachusetts, their agenda includes plenty of sightseeing, like the Wareham Cranberry Festival on October 11, Plymouth Plantation on October 12, and the New Bedford Whaling Museum on October 19.

Ms. Leatham is enthusiastic about the visit, and says: "this is one of the things that I love to bring to the community in terms of supporting the school's global awareness, for the students, and for the faculty." According to Ms. Leatham, there are several major differences in American education versus Thailand education; one of those differences is the rotation of students instead of teachers, since Thai teachers are the ones to switch classrooms at the end of a lesson with the students waiting in their seats for their next teacher. With the success of this visit, Ms. Leatham says that there are plenty of teachers from other foreign countries – including Turkey, Ghana, and more educators in Thailand – that would like to come to the area as well.

The host families for tri-town visiting Thai teachers are: Paula and James Meere, Terry Allan and Wayne Assing, and Marie and Joel Hartley, all of Marion.



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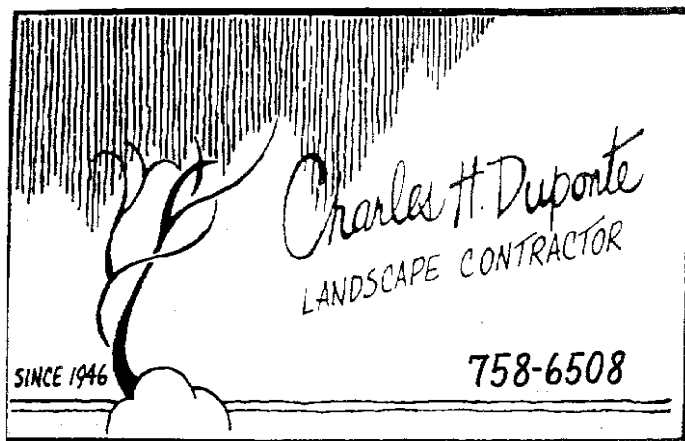
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### *Frightful Fiction*

### **Halloween Short Story Contest 2009**

*The Wanderer* is once again proud to present its third annual Halloween Short Story Contest in commemoration of Halloween. We have received several impressive entries from tri-town authors of all ages and we will be running the stories without by-lines through

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the end of the month. The winner, as well as a list of all the authors will be printed in our October 29, 2009 edition.

All stories are also being read and evaluated by an expert panel who will help pick the overall winner based solely on content (names have been withheld) and we sincerely appreciate their assistance. The author of the winning story will receive a brand new Nintendo Wii game system!

So sit back and prepare for some original chills and thrills courtesy of our own tri-town authors.

## *Halloween Short Story Contest*

### **Entry #4: The Rays of the Moon**

The rays of the moon,  
I feel them as I walk down my  
Street on this Halloween Night  
There is a soft and comforting  
Wind accompanying it; all around,  
Leaves are bustling along with the  
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*Halloween Short Story Contest*

**Entry #5: All Help-Us Eve**

Josie Thompson is reclining in a haze of deep contentment. She is lying on the cool grass of her wide backyard when her ears pick up the faint sound of fence boards creaking in the distance. "Mom!" Declan's cheerful voice chirps.

"Declan," she replies, rolling over on her side to better face her small son as he skips gaily into perspective, "we have a gate for a reason."

His small lips turn up into a mischievous, bright smile. He has heard her utter this warning a hundred thousand times, each time with a little less patience. "So that I don't get hurt?"

"No, so that you don't break the fence. It cost more than you did," Josie informs him seriously.

"Mom," Declan says, dragging out the "o", his small features morphing into an expression of annoyance.

"Inside." She herds the boy toward the red door of their small and old-fashioned farmhouse, listening with one ear to his various chatterings.

"Mom!" Declan wails, a veil of sheer outrage filling his mild green eyes. He tugs impatiently on her hand.

"What?" Josie asks reflexively, surprised. She runs her fingers through his dark, windswept curls.

"Can I be a zombie ballerina for Halloween?"

"What?" she asks again; she is completely

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flummoxed. She stops dead in her tracks. "Declan, it's October thirtieth. I thought you said you didn't want to do Halloween this year."

She remembers this particular morning vividly. She was in the middle of making Declan's peanut butter and jelly sandwich. Declan had recently banned Fluff from the house. Whichever child it was who decided what was popular in fourth grade had swiftly vetoed Fluff. To be seen with the marshmallow substance now was apparently the same as traipsing around with jelly shoes on or reading a book. This same child had also placed a pocket veto on Halloween, for Declan bounded downstairs that morning declaring Halloween to be "for little kids". As a fourth grader, he was above such ridiculous affairs.

Apparently, this ruling has now been changed.

"But Mom," Declan groans. He drags the last word into three syllables (in the obscenely annoying way that all children do) to explain his entire reason for doing a three-sixty on the subject of Halloween. Josie recalls the relish in which she used to unleash these very words upon her own mother. By now she would rather be voluntarily subjected to officiating a fingernails-on-the-blackboard contest than hear these words ever again.

"Fine," she says at last. "You can wear your sister's tutu."

"What?" his voice rises, incensed. "But Mom, it's pink!"



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"I wasn't aware that a zombie ballerina was any different from a regular ballerina. Except for being dead, anyway."

"Pink is girly, Mom. It has to be black." He then has the audacity to show her what the costume should look like, and is lucky she doesn't faint on top of him.

"Declan, it's the night before Halloween. You couldn't at least want to be something I could buy from the store, could you?"

"I thought you could make it," he says, his voice laced with the dreamy innocence of childhood.

"Lucky I have Old Widow Singer here to help," Josie says sarcastically. "We'll get it done in no time."

They argue about Declan's last minute costume

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for the next forty-seven and a half minutes, but like all small children everywhere, Declan has the upper hand over his mother, no matter how much Josie protests that it isn't true. While he grumbles over his math homework, she drives her ailing silver Volkswagen to the nearest fabric store.

Instead, she finds a war zone. The entire store is flooded with bright fluorescent light, which stings her eyes. It appears to Josie as if the store has been raided by a battalion of rabid elephants. They have shredded thick plastic casings with their tusks and have left the remains spread across the floor. The remnants of glittery pink feather boas float, defeated, before her. The elephants obviously took them as battle trophies and wore them proudly out of the sliding doors. In a far corner (and here, deep within her heart, a fluttering of hope stirs) she manages to spot one costume bag, which still contains a costume. Quickly, however, she discovers why. No self-respecting elephant will go out in public in Superman's tights and knee-high boots.

By some providence, which she deems a miracle, Josie manages to find a small amount of black cloth. The harried mother beside her, whose dark eyes are filmed with vexation and anguish, is not so lucky – any remaining cloth for her daughter's last-minute Japanese Soda Bottle outfit has mysteriously evaporated into the cold night.

Back at home, Josie puts her son to bed. Declan is complaining about the report he must do on Benjamin Franklin. Josie hides the amused smile, which tugs at the corners of her mouth. She has not yet inducted her son into the grand life of Benjamin Franklin, preferring to save the sordid details of his hygiene, his air baths, and his European meetings for another year. American icons must remain pure, virtuous and godlike to any good



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school child.

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Outside the latticed windows, the cold night darkens, and then softens at the edges, moving inwards. The moon's tender silver rays begin to kiss the trees, the grass, paling darkest noir to deep navy and cool violet. The pinnacle of night comes and goes without a sound as she bends over her project, patiently setting stitch after stitch. Somehow, without the faintest acknowledgement, the day of Halloween has arrived.

The costume is perfect – as perfect as it can be under Josie's abominable sewing skills. Every pleat on the skirt is in place, however. Every tear on the black bodice is artfully ripped and clumsily sewn back over. It appears as if the ballerina has been viciously attacked by a zombie – which, as a matter of fact, is completely the case, Josie realizes as she thinks back over the sleepless night.

Declan has no shoes to wear with his outfit. His sister's would never fit his feet, and Josie reckons that he would refuse to wear such shockingly pink shoes anyway. He is left with two options: wear his regular sneakers, or go barefoot. Which means that he will be wearing his sneakers. If Josie has to tie him down and use a combination of duct tape and crazy glue to keep them on, he will be wearing his sneakers.

Sunrise finds Josie again preparing Declan's sandwich, a dark ring of fatigue lining her under-eyes.

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His costume – a horrifying mass of black cloth which will bring a bright scarlet blush to his mother's nose and cheeks whenever she thinks of him in it – hangs on the back of the old wooden chair.

Her ears detect bellowing footsteps on the staircase. "Today's Halloween! Today's Halloween!" Declan chants, howling with delight as he plows through the door. He is so wound up he nearly ends up with his nose in the costume before he realizes that there is something in his path.

A bright flame of happiness sparks in his wide forest-green eyes as he takes in the costume, and for a moment, Josie imagines she's triumphed. A wild delight rises in her eyes, until-

"Mom," he says. "I want to be an evil candy bar instead."

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Cats that eat their food very rapidly and then vomit need to have their food intake slowed down. Try covering the food with 2-4 golf balls. The cat will have to nudge the balls out of the way to get a mouthfull and this will slow down their eating. Changing from dry to canned food may also help but will make more of a mess if it doesn't stay down.

*My other cat has always vomited 3-4 times a week. She vomits, food sometimes and just yellow frothy bile at others. Occasionally there is a clump of hair in the vomit. She seems healthy and happy otherwise. What can I do to help her?*

This may be more difficult to manage. Cats with this pattern of vomiting may have a number of problems. Two of the more common are a bacterial infection in the stomach caused by Helicobacter felis or a condition called inflammatory bowel disease. Try changing your cats diet to a different kind of food. Often the use of a premium cat food will help. If 2-3 diet changes over a couple of months is not helpful then discuss the problem with your veterinarian.

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very scary costumes. They thought it was very funny to scare people. They scared all the families in their houses.

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The four boys quietly stepped inside the big red barn. Then they heard a very loud screeching noise way up high in the rafters of the dark barn.

The four boys did not know about the farmer's guinea hens who roosted high up in the rafters of the big red barn. The four boys scared the guinea hens who scared the four boys.

The four boys who liked to scare people were now very scared. They tripped over each other as they ran from the big red barn. They fell into the big puddles made by the rain.

They ran all the way home and never scared people again. Each day when they walked past the big red barn, they said to each other: "We will never go back."

## Mattapoisett Selectmen Meeting

October 13, 2009

By Anne O'Brien-Kakley

A regular meeting of the Mattapoisett Board of Selectmen was called to order on October 13, 2009 by Chairman Jordan C. Collyer. Also in attendance were Selectmen Paul A. Silva and George Randall, Town Administrator Michael Gagne', and Assistant to the Town

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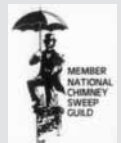
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The minutes of the September 22, 2009 Board of Selectmen meeting, both open and executive session, were approved.

The Board was then briefed on the bonding report received on the town's Standard and Poors rating by town treasurer Brenda Herbeck. The town received a rating that was just above a triple A scale, just below a double A. The town's rating was partially attributed to the conservative fiscal policies, including the building of stabilization funds and the fact that all capital needs over \$10,000 go in front of the Capital Needs Committee.

The Board voted to appoint two members to the Finance Committee (FinCom). Mattapoisett School Chairperson Grace Knox was in attendance with Town Moderator Jack Ecklund to nominate Gary Johnson of 5 Cannon Street, and Patricia Donahue of 30 Mechanic Street, to FinCom. The Board passed this motion.

After appointing the new members, the Board then voted to reappoint Dennis Perry and Richard Gamache to FinCom with terms ending in 2012, and voted to reappoint Carmelo Nicolosi and Jim O'Dowd to the Conservation Commission with terms ending in 2012. "And now, FinCom is fully staffed, and just in time," said Chairman Collyer, referring to the upcoming special town meeting on November 2.

Mr. Ecklund then took the opportunity to speak before the Board about an article that will be included in the special town meeting. His main concern was that, as town moderator, and as a resident of a private road, that residents may question his impartiality in the private roads article. He reassured the public that he would be neutral in the presentation at town meeting, and that he wasn't even going to vote on the issue. But, if a resident still has a concern with his moderating at the special

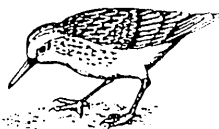
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town meeting, he is more than willing to consider another moderator covering the event, or covering the individual article. If anyone does have a concern, they should voice this concern to him personally or to Town Clerk Barbara Sullivan by the end of the day on October 26.

Mr. Ecklund also said that he would like anyone with a PowerPoint presentation (or any presentation) to contact him at his publicly listed phone number before the town meeting, for the sake of length and clarity. Chairman Collyer suggested that they might consider playing a program on ORCTV produced by the Massachusetts Moderators Association for the week leading up to the town meeting. The program gives detail on the background and history of the town meeting process. Mr.

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Ecklund agreed. "If you don't routinely come to town meetings, please come," said Mr. Ecklund. "Come and speak up."

The Board then had an appointment to meet with the Marine Advisory Board. After reviewing a guide on dingy and skiff regulations that the Marine Advisory Board had revised, which included the definition of a "skiff" being a 10-16 feet in length and a maximum of 65 inches wide, and a "dingy" being under 10 feet, the Board accepted the new list of regulations with minimal revisions. It is hoped that these regulations will address issues of dock spacing, free up space for residents on a skiff mooring waiting list, address problems with dry-docking, and will address the issue of boats mooring for more than 2 weeks without paying for a rental fee.

In the Selectmen Discussion Items, Mr. Gagne' said that comments from the private roads meeting that was held on October 6 were incorporated into the article that will be presented at the November 2 town meeting.

In Notes and Announcements, Ms. Pacheco announced that the next Board of Selectmen meeting will be on Tuesday, October 27, 2009 at 7:00 pm in the Town Hall. There will be a Cats and Dogs Rabies Clinic on Sunday, October 18, 2009 from 10:00 until noon at the Mattapoisett Fire Station. The price is \$10 per animal, and cats should be in carriers, dogs on leashes.

The Board received their annual invitation from the Florence Eastman Post 280 American Legion in

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conjunction with the Mattapoisett Veterans Service Office to attend the Veteran's Day Ceremony, which will be held on Wednesday, November 11, 2009 at 11:00 am in the Old Hammondtown School. Mr. Silva and Mr. Randall will likely attend.

Ms. Pacheco offered the seasonal flu clinics schedule, which is available on the town website. She also informed the Board that the Mattapoisett Fire Department is holding an Open House at the fire station on Thursday, October 15, from 6:00 until 8:30 pm.

In his Town Administrator's report, Mr. Gagne' gave an update on the possible state aid cuts in the current fiscal year. "It's that time again, and the picture is not looking any better," he said. "There will be cuts; to what degree, we do not know at this point." According to Mr. Gagne', some rumors were indicating that Governor Deval Patrick would give details on cuts in an October 15 televised speech. Mr. Gagne' advised telling department heads to watch budgets carefully.

Mr. Gagne' then reviewed articles that will be presented at the November 2 special town meeting, which will be held at the Old Hammondtown School Auditorium at 7:00 pm. The 13 articles in the warrant include the private roads issue, an article to replace the fire department heating system with a natural gas heating unit, acceptance of easements from the YMCA for the bike path, and a possible article proposing the replacement/repair of two heating units at the Town Hall. The full

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The final item in the Town Administrator's report was an update on the Community Development Block Grant that Mattapoisett is interesting in applying for with Marion and Rochester. According to Mr. Gagne', both Marion and Rochester were very interested, since the "topic of housing rehab really resonated" with all three towns. Mr. Gagne' will be setting up a meeting with Sharon Gay, Community Development Consultant for the Block Grant program.

In Correspondence, the Board received notification from Comcast that there will be a price adjustment for the expanded basic service effective in November. The Board also read a letter Mr. Gagne' sent to Representative Straus concerning the funding schedule extension for full funding on outstanding pension liability. Mattapoisett is looking at a 12% increase for 2011 over the past year assessment. Mr. Gagne' is hoping to meet with Mr. Straus soon to discuss this issue.

There being no more business to address, the Board voted to adjourn at 9:55 pm.

### **Rochester Planning Board**

*October 13, 2009*

**By Sarah K. Taylor**

A meeting of the Rochester Planning Board was called to order by Chairman Arnold Johnson at 7:10 pm on Tuesday, October 13, 2009. The members of the Board included Gary Florindo, Chris Byron, Colin Kelly, Stephen Healy, Robert Cummings, John DeMaggio, and Randall H. Kunz. The minutes from the last meeting were approved.

Mr. Kunz reminded the Board that a land-use forum will be held this Saturday, October 17, 2009 at 9:00 am at the Dexter Lane Senior Center in Rochester. Mr. Kunz also spoke about a seminar he recently attended which examined "vertical housing", or two-and-a-half story housing which would consist of a commercially used first floor and residential second floor. This concept could potentially be used in the Town of Rochester if the Board and Town decide that it would be most beneficial.

A motion was made by Mr. Cummings regarding

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the privacy of the Board's opinions on topics that have not yet been voted on. The Board agreed that they would not represent the opinions of the Board without first voting upon that opinion, and the motion passed.

At 7:43 pm, a Public Hearing on a proposed Zoning Map change was held. Selectman Bradford Morse addressed the Planning Board, stating that the land currently being considered for rezoning from an industrial and partially residential district to a commercial district would ultimately benefit the Town. In doing so, the Town would have an area designated for commercial use with easy access to Route 495, therefore limiting a large amount of traffic to Rochester residents, while bringing in revenue.

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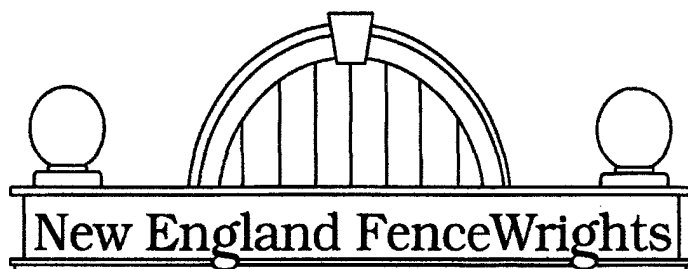
The land being considered for the zoning change includes Assessor's Map 17, Lot 41 B and portions of Assessor's Map 17, Lot 41 C. The estimated acreage of these properties is 26.26. All of these properties are currently owned by R. F. Morse and Sons.

The general feeling by all participants in the hearing, which included the land-owner, two Selectmen, the Town Administrator, Rochester residents, and more, was that this change appears to be a very positive move forward for the Town of Rochester. Selectman Naida Parker spoke about the commercial use of this land as being more valuable to the Town than residential land at this point, as it presents a nice way of bringing some activity back to the Town, while not being overly disruptive.

Following this discussion a motion was made to recommend the article to Town Meeting, and it was voted upon unanimously. A motion was then made to close the Public Hearing, and the meeting then continued with discussion regarding the Housing Needs Assessment.

Mr. Cummings suggested creating a survey to assess the needs of the people interested in living in the Town of Rochester. Mr. Kunz then addressed the Board regarding the work he has done with the help of SRPEDD with maps of the Town and how best to utilize the land. After much debate, it was determined that the Planning Board was interested in continuing discussion and creating a more concrete, rather than conceptual plan, before bringing these documents to the public at large.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:25 pm.



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### School Report

## Climate Change Assembly at ORR By Anne Smith

Students gathered in the auditorium for an assembly about climate change on October 2, 2009. The presentation was started by Mr. Devoll, who explained that he had arranged the assembly for the students' enjoyment. He then said that he hopes to reward good student body behavior with more assemblies because students find the assemblies enjoyable. This particular assembly was informational, focusing on what climate change is and how high school students can help make a difference. The information was presented by three



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people, who each talked about a certain aspect of climate change.

The first speaker presented a video explaining the cause of climate change. Students learned that each person is taking up more resources than he or she should. The space used to harvest these resources emits copious amounts of greenhouse gases, which then increase the planet's average temperature. The well-known greenhouse gas carbon dioxide was discussed in conjunction with cars and houses, but the presentation also focused on the role of methane gas in climate change. The explanation of methane gas was presented by a humorous cartoon of farting cows and "cow-burgers." The video ended with a quick summary, which explained that scientists estimate there is only a ten-year window for people to reverse or slow climate change before it gets too out of control.

The second speaker was a scientist who spoke about her work in natural New England habitats. She explained how her work showed the change in the climate and stressed the importance of stopping such a change so that the local wildlife might survive. She then passed the microphone off to the third speaker, who was representing the YouthBuild New Bedford organization.

This final speaker targeted the problem of getting high school students involved in fighting climate change. He explained that YouthBuild is an organization that helps prepare students for "green" jobs. One of these jobs was being a "green" electrician. Members of YouthBuild interested in this career would be shown the trade, and the methods and materials used in their work would be both efficient and "green." The other jobs that were listed as YouthBuild training opportunities also focused on how to make them "green" and therefore better for the community. After explaining the organization, the speaker performed a rap about climate change and how people need to take action now. This rap was both entertaining and informative, not to mention it encouraged students to use their talents to make a difference in the world.

At the end of the assembly, students were given the chance to meet with the speakers and sign a petition to fight climate change before heading back to class. This



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petition was kept by the organizations that presented the assembly; they explained that while it wasn't a petition in the sense of changing the status quo, it was a promise signers made to fight climate change by making "green" changes in their life. Some of these suggestions were recycling more and using energy efficient light bulbs.

There was extensive chatter as the auditorium emptied. The majority of the students were impressed by the presentation, which was both funny and serious at the same time. There were some students, though, who thought the assembly was a waste of time. But no matter which opinion the students held, the assembly passed on valuable information to our generation about climate change and our impact on the planet's future.

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By Yulia Motta

Tough times continue for the **Old Colony Football** team, as they lost yet another game to Diman Voke.

It was the **Cougars'** Homecoming game and a big crowd filled up the home stands, but after Diman Voke scored two touchdowns in the first quarter, they managed to take the excitement out of a loud crowd. Right before going into the halftime, Cougars' Defense made a huge stop, keeping it only a two-score game. During the third quarter, Cougars had a fumble, which was recovered by DV and they scored another touchdown, making the score 24-0. It wasn't until the fourth quarter with 7:56 left in the game that **Tyler Steek** put the Cougars on the board with his 78-yard punt return. However, when the Cougars' Defense shut down Diman's offence and got the ball back, they made their second fumble and again Diman-Voke ran it for a touchdown, making it 32-6, with 2:04 left in the game. Old Colony made some good plays after that, but the time ran out before they had a chance to score. Old Colony is now 1-4 and only has five more games left, during which they hope to prove what they are really made of.

A team that continues to strive for Old Colony is the **Varsity Boys Soccer**, who improved their record to 6-1-3, when they tied 2-2 with Upper Cape. **Seth Pinard** and **Nathan Gula** each had one goal, while **Mike Delgado**

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However, the **Girls Soccer** wasn't as lucky. They lost to Bishop Conolly 2-0, who showed up 40 minutes late, leaving the Cougars out in the rain. The girls are preparing to face Greater New Bedford Vocational Tech. School this Tuesday, whom they are yet to beat.

On a happier note, the **Old Rochester Football** team bounced back in a big way after losing their first game to Seekonk. They made a few changes in their offense and decided to test it out against South Boston on Saturday; they definitely passed the test, beating

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South Boston 35-12. **Brandon Petty** was assigned to be a tailback and he happily filled the position, running for 194 yards and a touchdown. **Bryan Teefy** put on a great performance, throwing for 119 yards and two touchdowns. **Richard Meunier** also had a great game, running 113 yard and scoring two touchdowns. Bulldogs are now 4-1.

Also, **Dana Dourdeville**, from Old Rochester, is making a lot of noise in **Cross Country**. Dourdeville ran his second best 3.1-mile time of the season 16:09.45, taking the first place in the fifth annual **South Coast Cross Country Challenge** in Brooklawn Park.

As the fall sports slowly come to the end, please come out and support your athletes in this last stretch, because for seniors, it is going to be their last fall season.

## Letters to the Editor

### To the Editor:

The Mattapoisett Free Public library has been no stranger to change in the last several years. The building has undergone a major renovation and now has the space as well as the amenities to serve the community. The Library's beloved former director, and one of its greatest advocates, Judy Wallace passed away. These significant changes have created challenges for the Library's trustees, staff, as well as the Friends of the Mattapoisett Library.

Members of the Friends of the Mattapoisett Library rose to the challenges presented and never wavered in their mission. A non-profit charitable corporation founded in 1999 to support the Mattapoisett Free Public Library in all its endeavors, the Friends worked tirelessly to get out the vote and to raise funds for the library's renovation. Members of the Friends rolled up their sleeves to pack boxes and move the library to Center School. After the renovation was complete the Friends furnished the large meeting room with its tables, chairs, and audio-visual equipment.

The Friends provide passes to Heritage Museum and Gardens, Plimoth Plantation, Mystic Aquarium and the Boston Children's Museum. These passes are hugely popular with library patrons. They also fund the Children's Summer Program. Their goal is to support the

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library and its staff with expenses that fall outside the town's operating budget.

The annual book sale is the Friends' biggest fundraiser, bringing in several thousand dollars, which is then carefully husbanded. Thoughtful donors save their best volumes for the Friends until the organization can locate space around town for storage, sorting and the sale itself. Dedicated volunteers and shoppers make the book sale a worthwhile effort year after year.

The Friends offer fabulous programs with authors and artists, free of charge. They hosted Dr. Alan Hickey, of *Medecins sans Frontieres*; Jennifer Armstrong, award-winning young-adult author of *Shipwreck at the Bottom of the World*; local artist and author Peter Stone; and

renowned poet F.D. Reeve and musicians Joe Deleault and Don Davis for an afternoon of poetry and jazz at the Kinsale Inn.

Susan Pizzolato, the new library director, is thrilled to be working with such a vibrant and dedicated Friends organization. With her support, they plan to offer more events and contests for the children, programs and entertainment for all ages, and more fund-raising ventures.

If you happen to know a member of the Friends of the Mattapoisett Library, you might take the time to thank them personally for all their hard work. If their incredible accomplishments intrigue you, you may consider joining the Friends. The group always welcomes



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On behalf of the Trustees of the Library, I would like to ensure that our whole community is aware what a significant role the Friends organization plays in making our library a top-notch institution. These Friends are the unsung heroes of the Mattapoisett Free Public Library. They deserve recognition and, yet, they never toot their own horns. Thank you, thank you, thank you.

*Sincerely,*

*Jennifer McIntire*

*Library Trustee*

### To The Editor:

A "Thank You" goes to all that helped with the Mattapoisett Community Cancer Care Fund Bake and Yard Sale.

Whether you baked, bought, or helped out, the giving of your time and generosity made our sale a great success. So many people coming together made it a true feeling of community, proving once again that Mattapoisett is special.

We would like to thank Father Caron for his support, and the Mattapoisett Police Association for the generous gift.

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### Salty's Silvery Moon Soiree

Salty the Seahorse and the Mattapoisett Land Trust once again wish to invite children of all ages to join us for some fun in the firelight on Saturday, **October 17**, from 5:30 until 8:00 pm at Dunseith Gardens, located on the corner of Route 6 at North Street. The Land Trust will provide the bonfire, with hay-bale seating, and the ingredients for "s'mores" as well as cider for a healthy thirst-quencher. Entertainment will include a sing-a-long

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All are welcome. Young children will especially enjoy playing in the recently completed pre-school playground area. Guests need to park off-site, so please bring a flashlight to help you return to your car. In case of inclement weather we will try again on Sunday, October 18, at the same time.

For more information you can contact us by email at [info@mattlandtrust.org](mailto:info@mattlandtrust.org) or by phone at (508) 758-7849 or (508) 758-2638

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### Rochester Women's Club

The Rochester Women's Club will be holding a showing for three local artists on Sunday, **October 25** from 1:00 – 4:00 pm. The Clubhouse is located at 37 Marion Road, Route 105 in Rochester, Massachusetts.

Betty Beaulieu and Lynette Torres, both of Rochester, and Judith Rosbe of Marion, will be on hand displaying their artwork. Pieces will be available for sale. Meredith of "The Artisan Kitchen" in Rochester will cater the meeting. There is a \$5.00 entrance fee.

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On Saturday, **October 17**, from 7:00 pm until midnight, there will be a Beatles "Octopus's Garden" tribute to benefit the Gerald W. Nadeau Memorial Foundation, a non-profit organization that is restoring a fire engine to carry fallen firefighters from Massachusetts, and from parts of Rhode Island, Connecticut, New Hampshire, and southern Maine.

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## Mattapoisett Fire Department Open House

On Thursday, **October 15**, the Mattapoisett Fire Department will have an open house from 6:00 to 8:30 pm. Please come to the fire department for a fun-filled educational event on fire safety. There will be games, pizza, prizes, the "safe house," vehicle extrication, a rescue boat, fire engines, arts and crafts, Halloween safety tips, and the police and building department will also be in attendance. Sparky the Fire Dog will be making a surprise visit as well! For more information, call the fire department at (508) 758-4150.

## Marion Garden Group Seeks Containers

The Marion Garden Group is seeking donations of floral arrangement containers for use at their annual Christmas Boutique in December. Donated containers may be dropped off at the Marion General Store through **December 1**.

## Superintendent Search Update at ORR

The two finalist candidates for the position of Superintendent of Schools of the Old Rochester Regional School District and Massachusetts School Superintendency Union #55 are **Dr. Mary Canole**, Curriculum Supervisor at Johnson & Wales School of Education in Rhode Island and **Mr. Doug White**, Superintendent of SAU #24 in Henniker, New Hampshire. During the week of October 7, a group of three School Committee members, Sharon Hartley, Chairperson, Rochester School Committee, Grace Knox, Chairperson of the Mattapoisett School Committee, Jane McCarthy, Chairperson of the Marion School Committee and an



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administrator, Kevin Brogioli, Principal at Old Rochester Regional Jr. High School visited the candidates at their school districts and spoke to school leaders, staff and various other groups.

The candidates visited ORR schools next week, Dr. Canole on October 13 and Mr. White on October 15. During their visits, they spent time with school leaders and taking tours of ORR schools to see facilities and meet principals, staff and students.

The Old Rochester Regional and the Massachusetts School Superintendency Union #55 School Committees will meet during the week of October 19 to deliberate and select a new superintendent for the Old Rochester Regional School and Massachusetts School Superintendency Union #55 Districts.

**Message from Tri-Town Boards of Health**

The Tri-Town Boards of Health are encouraging residents to curtail outside activities after 5:00 pm due to the threat of EEE in neighboring towns. If you have to be outside, please wear mosquito repellent. This threat continues until the first killing frost.

**Old Colony News**

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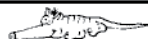
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• **NHS Howl for Pets** – The National Honor Society is conducting a service project called Halloween Howl for Pets. The purpose of this project is to collect and distribute pet supplies to local area animal shelters. We are seeking donations of items such as pet food, toys, treats, chews, etc. If you would like to donate any of these items, please contact Christine Watling, NHS Advisor at (508) 763-8011 ext. 120. The deadline for donations is **October 30, 2009**. Thank you for your support.

### Marion Republican Town Committee

The next Marion Republican Town Committee will be held at 7:00 pm on Thursday, **October 22** at the Marion Town House, 2 Spring Street, Marion. New members are welcome.

If you have any questions, please call: 508-748-3303.

### ORR Class of 1989 Reunion

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The planning committee needs help locating the following alumni: Mark Andrade, Dewayne Barber, Lee Barnes, Thomas Bernier, Christine Bertrand, Sean Couto, Dana Degrace, Kevin Desroches, Shawn Dugas, Kristen Engle, Erica Ernst, Paul Fiedler, Deborah Gurll, Lisa Heinz, Peter Herman, Mark Hoyt, Deane Johansen, Doug Klappholz, Heather Knight, Melissa Leggett, Jeffrey Livesy, Linda (Ferrigno) McDaniel, Timothy McGarrie, Lori Ann Mello, Brett Moreau, Carol Normand, Michael Pittsley, Doug Prefontaine, Elizabeth Rose, Robert Rose, Paul Rossi, Mark Santos, Donald Sargelis, Jeffrey Shaw, Heather Smith, Charlene Souza, Naomi Souza, Chris Spyropoulos, Jennifer Stanley, David Tahitnen, Tracey Tirrell, Michelle Watts, Ronald Whitehead, and Rodney Wilson.

For more information, contact Josh Pond at [Joshua.b.pond@gmail.com](mailto:Joshua.b.pond@gmail.com) or Kerrin Adrian at [kadrian@BERinc.us](mailto:kadrian@BERinc.us). If you know of any classmates who have moved or married, please e-mail their information or pass this information along.

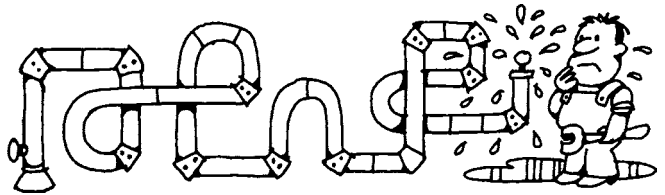
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### Rochester Land-Use Forum

A forum on land use will take place Saturday, **October 17, 2009**, at the Dexter Lane Senior Center from 9:00 am until approximately noon. The public is encouraged to attend.

The Rochester Planning Board has been

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addressing long-range planning challenges associated with Land Use as expressed in the new Master Plan:

- Need for non-residential ratables to help with the tax rate.
- Need for housing that's affordable for children of long-standing residents.
- Need for housing that's affordable for retirees and senior citizens.
- Need to be proactive in addressing Commonwealth requirements for Modest Income families.
- A challenge to make the Town Center "people friendly" and develop as a Mixed-Use area.
- Objectives to retain as much classic Rochester character as possible in landscapes and roadways.
- Objective to increase minimum acreage requirements in some areas to hold ultimate build-out constant.

Towards these ends, the Board challenged SRREDD to identify optimal areas for each objective. They have made preliminary recommendations.

Before taking further steps to solidify a Comprehensive Land Use Plan which would ultimately come before an Annual Town Meeting to become part of the Zoning Map, the Board is eager to solicit resident preferences and reactions.

Please plan to come and participate on Saturday, October 17. Coffee and minor edibles will be available unless you are late.

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### **Mattapoisett Sustainability Club**

The Mattapoisett Sustainability Club will meet **October 21** at 6:30 pm at the library. We will discuss Massachusetts Green Communities Act: what is it, what does it mean for Mattapoisett? We will also plan for a Home Energy Seminar in November.

The purpose of the Sustainable Living Club is to focus on practical things we can do in our homes and in our community now to help make sure that our children and their children inherit a thriving environment and community. Sustainability is a concept that was developed in the 80's and 90's to describe the concern that the standard of living we enjoy today in the United States and developed countries may not be available to future generations. Open space has been disappearing. Un-renewable resources from energy and metals as well as renewable resources like forests are not as easily available or cheap and could disappear. Clean water cannot be taken for granted. Our food supply system, based on petroleum derived fertilizer and long distance transport, may be much more costly in the future. Our water and land, in some places, is not able to support the life it once did, which affects whole food chains. We focus on practical action for a future we can live with. Meetings are open to the public. Please join us on October 21 for our regular meeting at the Mattapoisett Library



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### American Legion Meeting

The monthly membership meeting of the American Legion, Florence Eastman Post 280, is held at the Legion Hall, 3 Depot Street on the third Wednesday of each month. **Due to a scheduling conflict, this month's meeting will be held on the fourth Wednesday at 7:00 pm, October 28, at the Hall.**

We will review the preparations for the Veteran's Day Memorial Program at Old Hammondtown School at 11:00 am on November 11. Another important piece of business to be finalized will be the date for our Annual Spaghetti Dinner which will be held on a Sunday in early March 2010. At this point it looks like our guests will be from the Veterans Transition House in New Bedford a

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501c3 organization, which opened in 1990 and now serves over fifty of our fellow veterans. A special thank you to Past Commander William Robinson who helped the Commander make contact with the fine veterans who run this worthwhile program.

The Finance Officer will report on the success of our Membership Support Campaign, which was initiated in July 2009. At this point the generosity of our fellow veterans has been overwhelming. As a 501(c) (19) corporation the post appreciates all tax deductible contributions to assist us with our charitable efforts on behalf of our town, youth, and Veterans. For more information or Hall rental call (508) 758-9311.

### Mattapoisett Police News

- The Mattapoisett Police Department is on Twitter! To find them, search: MattapoisettPD. Get daily / weekly updates on the police department through Twitter.
- The Mattapoisett Police Department will sponsor the annual Halloween Parade on Saturday, **October 31, 2009, at 6:00 pm.** The Halloween Parade will start on Church Street by Center School. Immediately following the parade, the costume contest and candy distribution will take place in the back of Center School. Prizes will be awarded in various categories.

### League of Women Voters Events

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• **The Health Care Forum and Lasagna Dinner** will take place on Thursday, **October 29, 2009** at St. Gabriel's Hall, Corner of Front & South Streets, in Marion.

We will gather at 6:30 pm; dinner is at 7:00 pm; and presentation is at 7:30 pm. The meal will include both meat and vegetarian lasagna, salad, dessert and coffee / tea.

The cost will be \$12.00, reservations are required and will be expected to be honored (i.e. paid for). Reservations must be made by October 26. People are welcome to come to the presentation at 7:30 whether or not they attend the dinner.

Send checks made out to LWVMMR to Nancy Braitmayer, 520 Point Rd., Marion 02738. Please call her at (508) 748-0276 or Claire Russell at (508) 748-2542 to reserve or ask questions.

The Chair, Judie Deutsch, and other members of the LWVMA Health Care Committee, will present the League Health Care position in a panel forum. Since the League has a position on the subject there will be no pro and con but there will be ample time for questions after the presentation. The public is invited and we hope many will come. The subject is certainly a major topic everywhere and the Committee members have been working on the health care issue for some time.

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– Old Rochester Regional School District and Wareham Public Schools, will present a 3-session behavior management series from the perspectives of three different professionals on this popular topic.

**October 21** – at Wareham Middle School, teacher Christine Morrissey, M. Ed, will focus on school/home connections.

**October 28** – at Sippican School, Marion, mental health professional Rebecca Caple, M.Ed., L.M.H.C., will address dealing with children at risk and suggest ways that families and schools can work together to support the child and each other.

**November 4** – at Wareham Middle School, pediatric occupational therapist Bridgette Kearns will share clinical strategies that easily transfer to school and home and support children with social and emotional behavioral issues.

All sessions are FREE and will begin at 6:30 pm. To register, please call Old Rochester's Early Childhood Office at (508) 748-1863.

**Tri-Town Early Childhood Council Meeting**  
– The annual meeting of the Tri-Town Early Childhood Council will be held at Center School, Mattapoissett on Tuesday, **October 27**, from 6:00 until 8:00 pm. Since 1986, the Tri-Town Early Childhood Council has been the leading force in developing early childhood programming offered through the Old Rochester Regional School District. With the focus on meeting the needs of families raising young children, the council has developed and been funded for numerous grants. Consider joining this group at its next meeting (the Annual meeting) on October 27. Childcare is available by pre-registration. Call

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### Tri-Town Business Association

The Tri-Town Business Association will hold its monthly meeting on **October 21, 2009**, at the Fellowship Hall, located behind the First Congregational Church, 11 Constitution Way in Rochester.

Randall Elgin and Mark Whalen, two engineers who live in Rochester, will be the guest speakers for the meeting. These men built a home for themselves and decided it would be an energy efficient "green house." They will have a PowerPoint presentation showing different aspects of the construction process of the home.

Members and guests interested in conserving energy and helping to protect the environment should find this presentation informative and enlightening.

Tri-Town Business Association meetings begin at 8:00 am and end at 9:00 am, and bring together individual businesses, schools and residents of the Tri-Town area, giving them the opportunity to meet with others, share ideas, and network in a relaxed, informal setting.

Members and guests are invited to join us for coffee and pastries at 7:45 am on Wednesday, October 21. For further information, contact Bruce Kaiser, Business Manager, Old Colony RVTHS at (508) 763-8011, Pat Shea at (508) 748-2689, or Bev Pierce at (508) 763-5503.

### Cat and Dog Rabies Clinic

On Sunday, **October 18, 2009**, there will be a Cat and Dog Rabies Clinic at the Mattapoisett Fire Station on Route 6 from 10:00 am until noon. The cost is \$10.00 per animal, and all of the proceeds will benefit Community Cancer Care. All animals must be properly restrained. All dogs must be leashed, and all cats in carriers.

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# TriTOWN HAPPENINGS



**Right:** Three Thai teachers are visiting the Tri-Town area for two weeks in October to observe American teaching methods. From left to right, Lah Bualuang, Ding Tanada, and Somrak Sinsomros stand outside Tabor Academy waiting to go to Plymouth Plantation for a fun afternoon on October 12, 2009. The three teachers enjoyed an "all-American" lunch in the Tabor cafeteria before heading to their next destination.



**Above & Left:** The Sippican Women's Club enjoys finger foods and conversation at the Handy Tavern on October 9, 2009. Members of the Club enjoyed a presentation by Gwen Morgan, author of "The What-if Workbook", a guide on organizing personal affairs and putting final wishes in order.



**Above:** Marion Shellfish officer Isaac Perry conducts a class on planting shellfish for the Marion Natural History Museum after school program.



**Left:** Congratulations to the Mariner U-13 Girls team, who won the U-14 Division of The 2009 International Cape Cod Harvest Cup in Barnstable, MA this Columbus Day Weekend. Back Row, left to right: Morgan Browning, Nicki Gifford, Taylor Canastra, Kate Martin, Camille Filloramo, Anne Martin, Abby Adams, Morgan DaSilva. Front Row, left to right: Syd Blanchard, Hannah Abrantes, Kaleigh Goulart, Arden Goguen, Chloe Riley, Amy Reis, and Sam Blanchard. Not Pictured: Caroline Downey, Bailey Truesdale and Emily Beaulieu.

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### Tri-County Symphonic Band Concert Season

The Tri-County Symphonic Band has announced their 2009/2010 concert season. Tickets to performances are \$10 per adult, \$5 for students, free for children under 12.

- **Russian Gems** on Sunday, **October 25**, at 3:00 pm – featuring "Pictures at an Exhibition" by Modest Mussorgsky and "Piano Concerto No. 2 in C Minor" by Sergei Rachmaninoff. This event will take place at the Fireman Performing Arts Center at Hoyt Hall, Tabor Academy, 235 Front Street in Marion.

- Other performances will include the Annual Children's Christmas Concert with the Sippican School Festival Choir on Sunday, **December 13**, 2009 at 1:30 pm in the Sippican School multi-purpose room in Marion – admission will be free.

To obtain tickets, visit the Tri-County Music Association Inc. website: [www.tricountysymphonicband.org](http://www.tricountysymphonicband.org).

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2:30 PM - The First Congregational Church of Rochester  
4:00 PM - The New Testament Church of Cedarville  
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10:00 AM - Arts and Ideas  
11:00 AM - Senior Stretch  
11:30 AM - Peek-a-Boo Turtle  
Noon - Midday Movie  
2:00 PM - Jazzercise  
2:30 PM - Senior Stretch  
3:00 PM - Kids a Cookin'

6:00 PM - Become Your Own Gym  
7:30 PM - Healthwise Alternatives  
8:00 PM - Sharing Miracles  
8:30 PM - Physician's Focus  
9:30 PM - Around BCC  
10:00 PM - Smart Boating  
10:30 PM - Life Matters  
Midnight - Midnight Movie

##### Tuesday Oct. 20, 2009

9:00 AM - 2009 Waterman School Reunion  
10:30 AM - The Tri-Town Business Association Show  
11:00 AM - Senior Stretch  
11:30 AM - Peek-a-Boo Turtle  
Noon - Midday Movie  
1:30 PM - The Wanderer Presents  
2:00 PM - Jazzercise  
2:30 PM - Senior Stretch  
3:00 PM - Local PSA's  
4:30 PM - Senior Scene  
5:00 PM - Community Arts in Action  
5:30 PM - Expedition New England  
7:00 PM - HomeFront  
7:30 PM - Cape Cod Cooking with Chef John  
8:00 PM - Gallery Talk - Hosted by the Marion Art Center  
8:30 PM - The Tri-Town Business Association Show  
9:30 PM - Ampersand  
10:30 PM - Green by Design  
Midnight - Midnight Movie

##### Wednesday Oct. 21, 2009

9:00 AM - Gardening Rhythms  
10:00 AM - Green By Design  
10:30 AM - Cooking With Marie  
11:00 AM - Senior Stretch

11:30 AM - Peek-a-Boo Turtle  
Noon - Midday Movie  
2:00 PM - Jazzercise  
2:30 PM - Senior Stretch  
5:30 PM - Second Act TV - A Program for People 50 and Older  
6:00 PM - Become Your Own Gym  
7:00 PM - White House Chronicle  
7:30 PM - The Commonwealth Report - With Sen. Marc Pacheco  
8:30 PM - Sharing Miracles  
9:00 PM - I Believe TV - A Program for People With Disabilities  
10:00 PM - Fox Robbins Business Show  
10:30 PM - Life Matters  
Midnight - Midnight Movie

##### Thursday Oct. 22, 2008

9:00 AM - Our Time is NOW  
10:00 AM - Kids a Cookin'  
10:30 AM - Homefront  
11:00 AM - Senior Stretch  
11:30 AM - Peek-a-Boo Turtle  
Noon - Midday Movie  
2:00 PM - Jazzercise  
2:30 PM - Senior Stretch  
3:00 PM - ORCTV 2009 Telethon Replay  
7:30 PM - The Cooking Hour  
8:30 PM - Link TV World Music Block  
9:00 PM - Penny Dreadful's Shilling Shockers  
11:30 PM - Link TV World Music Block  
Midnight - Penny Dreadful's Shilling Shockers

##### Friday Oct. 23, 2008

9:00 AM - Gardening Rhythms  
10:00 AM - Green By Design  
10:30 AM - Cooking With Marie  
11:00 AM - Senior Stretch

11:30 AM - Peek-a-Boo Turtle  
Noon - Midday Movie  
2:00 PM - Jazzercise  
2:30 PM - Senior Stretch  
4:00 PM - I Believe TV - A Program for People with Disabilities  
5:00 PM - Community Arts in Action  
6:00 PM - Become Your Own Gym  
7:00 PM - Fox Robbins Business Show  
7:30 PM - Healthwise Alternatives  
8:00 PM - Homefront  
8:30 PM - The Tri-Town Business Association Show  
9:00 PM - Gallery Talk - Hosted by the Marion Art Center  
9:30 PM - Explore  
10:00 PM - Ampersand  
11:00 PM - Around BCC  
Midnight - Drive-in Friday Night Double Feature

##### Saturday Oct. 24, 2008

8:00 AM - Classic Cartoon Festival  
11:00 AM - Explore New England  
11:30 AM - Kids a Cookin'  
Noon - Gallery Talk  
12:30 PM - Around BCC  
1:30 PM - U-Mass Dartmouth Sports  
6:00 PM - Bioneers by the Bay 2009  
7:30 PM - The Cooking Hour  
8:30 PM - Link TV World Music Block  
9:00 PM - Penny Dreadful's Shilling Shockers  
11:00 PM - Get Connected with Conn Jackson  
Midnight - Penny Dreadful's Shilling Shockers

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### Verizon Channel 39

#### Daily Schedule

11:00 PM - Latest Planning Board Meeting  
2:00 PM - Latest Board of Selectmen Meeting  
6:30 PM - Latest Board of Selectmen Meeting  
9:00 PM - Latest Planning Board Meeting

### ROCHESTER GOVERNMENT

#### Comcast Channel 95

#### Verizon Channel 40

#### Daily Schedule

1:00 PM - Latest Board of Selectmen Meeting  
2:00 PM - Latest Planning Board Meeting  
10:00 AM - ORRHS 2009 Graduation Meeting  
8:30 PM - Latest Planning Board Meeting

### EDUCATION CHANNEL

#### Comcast Channel 18

#### Verizon Channel 37

#### Daily Schedule

8:30 AM - Peek-a-Boo Turtle  
9:00 AM - ORRHS 2009 Senior Assembly  
10:00 AM - ORRHS 2009 Graduation Ceremony  
11:30 AM - HINI Assembly  
3:00 PM - ORRHS Senior Awards Night  
5:00 PM - ORRHS 2009 Graduation Ceremony  
6:30 PM - ORRHS 2009 Promenade  
7:30 PM - ORRHS Senior Awards Night  
9:00 PM - ORRHS 2009 Underclassmen Awards  
10:00 PM - HINI Assembly

hold their annual meeting **Sunday October 18**, at 3:00 pm in the Meeting Room at the library. Our guest speaker will be author Margot Livesey. The public is welcome to this free event. The author's books will be for sale and for signing after her reading.

Margot Livesey's first book, a collection of stories called *Learning By Heart*, was published by Penguin Canada in 1986. Since then Margot has published six novels: *Homework*, *Criminals*, *The Missing World*, *Eva Moves the Furniture*, *Banishing Verona* and *The House on Fortune Street*. Margot is currently a distinguished writer in residence at Emerson College. She lives with her husband, a painter, in Cambridge.

The Friends of the Mattapoisett Library is a non-profit corporation dedicated to the support of the library. Annually, we sponsor Children's Programs, Museum Passes, provide furnishings and equipment, offer literary programs, and of course, there is the Annual Book Sale. Come spend an afternoon with the author, learn about the Friends, enjoy light refreshments and become a member.

- Teen Read Week will take place **October 18 - 24** Read beyond reality at your library!

- Students are encouraged to stop by the Mattapoisett Library, especially during Teen Read Week, beginning here Tuesday, **October 20**. A free drawing is being held for patrons ages 13 through 19. The gift basket is on display in the Young Adult Room, filled with supplies, snacks, DVDs, books, and other fun items, and the drawing is Saturday, October 23. New posters have been installed to celebrate this nationally recognized week in honor of teens. Why not stop by and check it out? A new Young Adult Advisory Committee is getting together soon to help design the space and plan programs for student patrons. If you would like to be part of this team, call the library at (508) 758-4171 or speak with one of the staff members. All are welcome!

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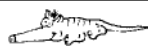
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share their talents with family and friends in the annual "Suites and Sweets" concert sponsored by FORM (Friends of Old Rochester Music). This free event will take place in the ORR Cafeteria on Thursday, **October 15** at 7:00 pm. All are encouraged to attend and enjoy the talents of our young musicians!

### Mattapoisett Second Quarter Taxes Due

The second quarter of the 2009 Preliminary Tax Bills in Mattapoisett are due **November 2**. Taxpayers are encouraged to register for making on-line payments on the eBill website at [www.mcc.net](http://www.mcc.net). By using eBill taxpayers can have their payments withdrawn from their checking or savings accounts or can make payments using



### I Found the Aardvark!

Each week, hidden somewhere in the pages of *The Wanderer* is a tiny drawing of an aardvark. The little guy you are looking for looks exactly like the one pictured above (but don't put down this page as your answer, there's another one hidden somewhere in this issue).

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Each time you find the Aardvark you will also be entered in our monthly drawing for other cool Aardvark Prizes.

If you would like to enter the monthly drawing by mail, send your name, address and phone number along with the issue date and page number you found him in to: Wanderer - I Found the Aardvark, P.O. Box 102, Mattapoisett, MA 02739. Entries by mail will not be eligible for Aardvark Points.

**To enter visit: [www.wanderer.com](http://www.wanderer.com) and  
Click on "I Found the Aardvark"**

**In the October 8 issue  
the Aardvark was on page 33!**

# MILESTONES

## Deaths:

**Helen P. (Mello) Morey**, 89, of New Bedford, died Wednesday, October 7, 2009, at St. Luke's Hospital. She was the beloved wife of Francis C. Morey; they were married 61 years.

Born in New Bedford, the daughter of the late Manuel M. and Mary P. (Medeiros) Mello, she was a lifelong city resident. She was a homemaker.

Mrs. Morey was a communicant of St. Mary's Church of New Bedford. She was a member of Yesterday's Doll Club of Sandwich. She enjoyed gardening and loved spending time with her grandchildren.

Survivors include her husband; a son, David F. Morey and his wife, Cheryl of Mattapoisett; a daughter, Susan J. Dias and her husband, John of Dartmouth; 4 grandchildren, Gregory Margis, Charles Margis and his wife, Nicole, Christopher Morey, and Elizabeth Morey.

Arrangements by the Machnowski - Schick Funeral Home, 472 Ashley Boulevard, New Bedford. Donations in Mrs. Morey's memory may be made to Southcoast Hospice and Palliative Care, 200 Mill Rd., Fairhaven, MA 02719.



**Karen M. (Mevis) LeBlanc**, 68, of Mattapoisett died Wednesday October 7, 2009 at St. Luke's Hospital after a brief illness. Born in New Bedford, the daughter of the late Frederick and Helen (Brown) Mevis, she lived in Mattapoisett for many years.

Mrs. LeBlanc was formerly employed as a registered nurse at St. Luke's Hospital in the Utilization Review Department. She was a graduate of New Bedford High School and St. Luke's Hospital School of Nursing. She enjoyed spending time with her friends and adored her two sons.

She is survived by her sons, Kurt R. LeBlanc of New Bedford and Gary M. LeBlanc and his wife Virgin-

ia Curley of Norwalk, CT; and two stepgrandchildren, John and James Curley. She was the sister of the late Jean H. Mevis.

Arrangements were by the Saunders-Dwyer Mattapoisett Home for Funerals, 50 County Rd., Route 6, Mattapoisett. For guestbook, please visit [www.saundersdwyer.com](http://www.saundersdwyer.com).



**Ray E. Tuttle**, 58, of Wareham died peacefully on Sunday October 11, 2009 at Forestview Nursing Home surrounded by his family. He was the husband of Maryann (Palm) Tuttle.

Born and raised in Mattapoisett, the son of the late M. Duane and Irene S. (Austin) Tuttle, he lived in Wareham for the past 25 years.

Mr. Tuttle was formerly employed as a lead technician for the Polaroid Corporation in New Bedford.

He was a graduate of Old Rochester Regional High School, where he was an outstanding football player. He later played football for the Middleboro Cobras.

Survivors include his wife; two daughters, Amanda L. Tuttle and Carissa I. Tuttle, both of Wareham; two sisters, Marjorie J. Dumas of Mattapoisett and Kathryn L. Reilly of Wareham; and several nieces and nephews.

His Funeral Service will be held on Friday at 10 AM at the Saunders-Dwyer Mattapoisett Home for Funerals, 50 County Rd., Route 6, Mattapoisett. Burial will follow in Cushing Cemetery. Visiting hours will be on Thursday from 4-8 PM. In lieu of flowers, remembrances may be made to the American Diabetes Association, 330 Congress St., 5th Floor, Boston, MA 02210. For directions and guestbook, please visit [www.saundersdwyer.com](http://www.saundersdwyer.com).

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Other options for taxpayers are to mail their payments to P.O. Box 1596 or deposit payments in the mail slot located near the back corner of Town Hall. Payments are due in the Collector's Office no later than 4:00 pm on November 2, therefore, taxpayers should allow sufficient time for mail travel when mailing payments. If paying by personal online banking, taxpayers should allow sufficient time for the bank to generate a check and mail it to the Town; and they should make sure there is sufficient information on the check identifying which bill should be credited with the payment. The Tax Collector's Office is open for business Monday through Friday from 8:30 am to 3:30 pm.

According to State statute, failure to receive a tax bill does not relieve the taxpayer of the requirement to pay the tax bill and any resulting interest if the payment is late. If payment is not received in the Collector's Office by the due date, interest shall accrue daily at a rate of 14% in accordance with state law. It is the property owner's responsibility to insure taxes are paid on time and in full.

Please call the Tax Collector Brenda A. Herbeck's Office at (508) 758-4100, ext. 1 for questions regarding payments. Questions regarding property values should be directed to the Assessors' Office at 508-758-4100, ext. 3.

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### Rochester Residents Flu Clinics

The Town of Rochester will be holding three Seasonal Flu Clinics. The Rochester Council on Aging will provide transportation for residents, who are in need of transportation, to the clinic. Please call (508) 763-8723 for transportation. The dates of the clinic are:

- Thursday, **October 22**, 2009 from 5:00 to 7:00 pm
- Thursday, **October 29**, 2009 from 8:30 to 11:30 am

Don't forget to bring your Medicare card with you. We are suggesting a donation of \$5.00 for those who do not have a Medicare card.

The clinics will be held at the Rochester Council on Aging building, located at 66 Dexter Lane, Rochester. Please remember to wear a short-sleeved top.

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# EDITOR'S PICK OF THE WEEK

## Be Fire Smart!

October is Fire Safety Month, and fire departments in the tri-town area have been hosting open houses. Touring fire department facilities and getting rides on antique engines is some major fun business, but on a practical level, these open houses also give firefighters a chance to check in with the public and remind them how important fire prevention is.



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So this week's pick is enforcing fire safety in your individual homes. No matter how new your town's fire station is, no matter how devoted your town firefighters are, no matter how fine-tuned the fire trucks are – fire prevention starts at home. According to [www.USFA.DHS.gov](http://www.USFA.DHS.gov), there are plenty of measures that families can take to prevent, and safely respond to, fires.

- **Change the batteries in your smoke detector.**

This needs to be done twice a year, regardless of whether the batteries could theoretically last longer; the detector should also be tripped each month to make sure it's working. Experts say that it is a good habit to change batteries in your detector on daylight savings days. So as of **November 1**, you should replace the batteries in your smoke detector. Detectors should be placed on every level of the home, and it is recommended that detectors be replaced every ten years.

- **Practice fire routes.** Sparky, the spokesdog for National Fire Prevention Association (NFPA), says October is time for the Great American Fire Drill! Children should know an alternative way to leave any room, especially their bedrooms, and your family should have a "meeting spot" in the yard so everyone is accounted for. Pick a day this month to practice alternate fire routes throughout your home. Go to [www.Sparky.org](http://www.Sparky.org) to download an "escape grid" that will help your family plan a safe way to escape potential fires. This should be a fun, but serious weekend activity for your family.

- **Talk about it.** Children set 35,000 fires annually in America – 8,000 of these fires are in their own home. No child is "too smart" to play with fire – fire


is a fascinating and sometimes compulsive thing for children. Keeping a continuous dialogue about how helpful fire is (it cooks our food, keeps our home toasty-warm), but how dangerous it can be, will discourage children from playing with matches and other fire sources.

- **Know what to do in a fire,** and make sure the entire family knows the dos and don'ts. Check doors for heat before opening to prevent back-flashes; stay low as you move through the house to avoid smoke exposure; stop, drop and roll if your clothes catch on fire; and teach children to never hide from firefighters in an emergency. There are so many things to remember in a fire, and a practice-run will really prepare your family for a worst-case scenario.

- **Know the silent threat.** Your home should have a carbon monoxide detector in addition to a smoke detector. Carbon monoxide is a colorless, odorless gas that claims 500 lives each year in America and sickens thousands more. Every time you change your smoke detector batteries, you should change the batteries in your carbon monoxide detector. If your carbon monoxide detector goes off, you should evacuate the house the same way you would evacuate in the event of a fire.

- **The only thing that is valuable is your family.** The government website on fire prevention and safety says it perfectly: "In less than 30 seconds a small flame can get completely out of control and turn into a major fire. It only takes minutes for thick, black smoke to fill a house. In minutes, a house can be engulfed in flames. Most fires occur in the home when people are asleep. If you wake up to a fire, you won't have time to grab valuables because fire spreads too quickly and the smoke is too thick. There is only time to escape." – the US Fire Administration. There is no object, no photograph, and no trinket that is worth risking your life. Once everyone is out, they stay out.

This is, by no means, a comprehensive list of all the fire safety tips a family should know. Please visit [www.USFA.DHS.gov](http://www.USFA.DHS.gov) for a complete list of resources, including resources for parents, for teachers, and to access the children's page, which has interactive exercises to teach kids all about fire safety. Remember what Sparky says – "Stay Fire Smart!"



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### Mattapoisett Seasonal Flu Clinics

The Mattapoisett Board of Health will be providing seasonal flu clinics on:

- Wednesday, **October 21** from 3:00 to 6:00 pm at Old Rochester Regional Senior High School, 135 Marion Road, in Mattapoisett.

- Thursday, **October 29** from 2:00 to 4:00 pm at the Mattapoisett Social and Wellness Center, at Center School, 17 Barstow Street, in Mattapoisett.

The Council on Aging (COA) will coordinate transportation to the flu clinics for residents in need of a ride. For more information, or to schedule a ride, please call the COA at (508) 758-4110. This service is sponsored by the Board of Health and is free of charge.

Home visits for residents who are homebound may be scheduled by appointment. To schedule a home visit, please call Amanda Stone, R.N., Public Health Nurse at (508) 758-4118.

Please note: Medicare covers the cost of the flu vaccination. A \$5.00 suggested donation is encouraged for all residents not covered by Medicare. This donation helps toward the cost of clinic supplies and administration.

Please wear a short-sleeved shirt to the clinic, and if applicable, bring your Medicare card with you.

### Marion Board of Health Flu Clinics

A Marion flu clinic will be held Monday, **October 19** from 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm at Sippican School, 16 Spring



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There will be a second flu clinic on Saturday, **October 24** from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm at Tabor Academy Gymnasium, 66 Spring Street. Park on Spring Street or in the lot on Front Street.

Home visits for homebound residents may be scheduled by appointment. Please call the Marion Board of Health at (508) 748-3530 to schedule a home visit.

Clinics are funded in part by Tabor Academy.

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**Above:** On October 9, 2009, the garden at Friends Academy surpassed the 2000-pound of harvested vegetables benchmark, and then some. Harvesting a variety of greens plus sixteen pounds of carrots and eight pounds of winter squash, students bundled up 71.3 pounds of vegetables for their weekly delivery to the Food Pantry at Grace Episcopal Church. Left to right: Autumn Muise of South Dartmouth, Holly Kazama of Lakeville, Cameron Coelho of Mattapoisett, Eric DeMasi of Tiverton, Vaughndre Henry of New Bedford, Karan Tandon of North Dartmouth, and Sarah Donahue of Forestdale.



108 cars attended the "A Wish Come True" car show on October 11, 2009 at Rochester's Plumb Corner. Each vehicle owner paid to attend the show, and the proceeds went to the organization, which works to grant wishes to children ages 3-18 who have been diagnosed with a life-threatening condition. Photos by Pat Aleks



The Rochester Road Race would like to thank the 444 runners and walkers who participated in the 2009 Race for helping to ensure that fewer local families go hungry this holiday season. On Tuesday, October 6, the Road Race Board presented a check for \$4,000 to Father Gabriel Healy, Director and Treasurer of Damien's Place Food Pantry in Wareham. Front row, left to right: Patti Howard, Father Gabriel Healy, Travis Van Hall. Back row, left to right: Jeff Perry, Chuck Kantner, Kevin Cassidy, Scott Muller, and Paul Anestia

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and administration. Please wear a short-sleeved shirt to the clinic and remember to bring your Medicare card, if applicable.

### Mariner Youth Soccer League

Mariner Youth Soccer League is conducting tryouts for their spring competitive teams starting the weekend of **October 18** and running through November 1. Please check their website at [www.marinersoccer.org](http://www.marinersoccer.org) under the Spring tab for your appropriate age group, time and date. Players from Acushnet, Rochester, Marion, Mattapoisett and Fairhaven are all welcome to tryout for Mariner competitive teams.

### Harvest Dinner

The Mattapoisett Lions Club invites you to a Harvest Dinner and Antique Road Show on Saturday, **October 17** at 6:30 pm at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Mattapoisett.

The catered meal will include the following: Roast Pork, mashed potatoes with gravy, butternut squash, rolls with butter, apple pie, and coffee.

Tickets are \$14.00 per person and are available at Panino's, Seaport Coffee Shop or by calling (508) 758-6401 or (508) 758-3578 or a Lion's Club Member.

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# FIRE PREVENTION MONTH

The Marion Fire Department held an Open House on October 10, 2009. The public was welcome to tour the facilities, and children enjoyed exploring all the engines available at the station. Donuts, coffee, and a hot breakfast were all offered courtesy of the fire department. An antique engine even offered a ride around the village. Photos by Anne O'Brien-Kakley



*Above:* When it comes to fire safety, Sparky, the Marion Fire Department dog, means business. Here, he welcomes children to the October 10, 2009 Marion Fire Department Open House.



*Above:* Although the October 10, 2009 Open House featured lots of fun engine rides and food, it was also an important opportunity for the Marion Fire Department to educate the public on fire safety.



*Above:* Chris Berg chats with Interim Fire Chief Thomas Joyce as his daughter, Gabby Berg, and friend Ashley Lawrence play around the fire engines on October 10, 2009.

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## Marion COA

The COA van will be traveling to Lee's Market in Westport on **October 23**. Please call to reserve your spot on the van.

The "Get Smart" speaker series will begin again in October. This event is always the first Wednesday of the month from 1:00 to 2:00 pm at the Elizabeth Taber Library. This is free and open to everyone. October's topic is "Cooking for One".

## SouthCoast Chamber Music Society

The South Coast Chamber Music Society's tenth anniversary season promises to be "grand" indeed, and in more ways than one. In some ways, the 2009-2010 season can be called a celebration of the piano, highlighting as it does masterworks by Brahms, Schumann, and Mendelssohn played by acclaimed SCCMS artist Janice Weber. Ms. Weber, a member of the piano faculty at Boston Conservatory, has performed at the White House, Carnegie Hall, Wigmore Hall, the National Gallery of Art, and Boston's Symphony Hall.

The first program of the season, offered at 5:00 pm on Saturday, **November 21**, at St. Gabriel's Church in Marion, and then again at 3:00 pm on Sunday **November 22** at Grace Episcopal Church in New Bedford, sets the tone for the year as a whole. In addition to Johannes Brahms' Piano Quartet in G Minor, and Felix Mendelssohn's Piano Trio in C Minor—both important deeply satisfying works—the program also presents Franz Liszt's Hungarian Rhapsody No. 12, with its wonderful evocations of folk music.

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## MOVIE REVIEW

# Zombi-a-Rama

By Rob Gonsalves  
www.robsmovievault.com

**Zombieland.** Starring Woody Harrelson and Jesse Eisenberg. Directed by Ruben Fleischer. Running time: 81 minutes. MPAA rating: R.

All the geeks love *Zombieland*. It's like *Drag Me to Hell*, only it's actually making some money -- it's crossed over to the non-geeks. What do all those people see in it, though? I must've seen a different *Zombieland*, one that isn't so slight and glib, one that has some decent characters defined by something other than clichés and traits. Some have compared it to *Shaun of the Dead*, which set the bar very high for zombie comedies. *Zombieland* doesn't clear that bar; it barely even runs up to it. It's a fundamentally lazy and witless film.

There are four (temporarily five) human characters in *Zombieland*; the rest of the population has turned into slaving, gut-munching zombies (they sprint, like the flesh-eaters in the 2004 *Dawn of the Dead* remake). We have the nerdy Columbus (Jesse Eisenberg), the zombie-killin' good ol' boy Tallahassee (Woody Harrelson), and a pair of sisters (Emma Stone and Abigail Breslin) who con the guys out of their vehicles not once but twice. But eventually they all band together, because *this* zombie comedy is about finding a family. This is explicitly stated at the end, for the slowpokes in the audience.

*Zombieland* is over in 81 minutes (including end credits), which I suppose is a mercy, because most of this road film goes nowhere. Entirely too much time is spent inside the mansion of a Hollywood star cameoing as himself, none too amusingly -- a shock, given the star. Word is that this cameo was envisioned for various different celebrities, depending on who could commit to it, and that the star's scenes were written at the last minute. It shows. I didn't particularly need to see the guy re-enacting one of his big hits from a quarter-century ago, like some outtake from *Be Kind Rewind*. He just drops in for a few jokey scenes (I have to say, his cameo in a big-budget film last year was a lot more random, and a lot funnier); then he's gone, and the characters hang out in his mansion a while longer.

There's a lot of padding throughout, including an odd bit when the characters arrive at some tourist trap selling



Native American souvenirs and gleefully trash the place. Why? Boredom? (I could relate.) Is this supposed to signal contempt for Native Americans or for the whiteys who profit off fake war bonnets? Somehow I don't think the movie thought about it, or anything else, that much. There's some weak meta-humor when Columbus, who narrates, tells us various rules for survival (always check the back seat; shoot zombies twice just to be sure). But most of *Zombieland* seems to deal with a generic post-apocalypse -- there are long stretches where the zombies aren't around at all.

Okay, a lot of what I've said could also apply to George Romero's 1979 classic *Dawn of the Dead*. But Romero worked the situation for social and political commentary, and the non-zombie scenes compelled us because the characters were fresh and had quirks and flaws. *Zombieland* doesn't care about its people nearly as much. One character delivers a tearful revelation, then caps it with "I haven't cried like that since *Titanic*," which kills whatever pathos could've been built. (Remember, there were genuinely tragic moments amid the hilarity and Queen songs of *Shaun of the Dead*.) The troubling suspicion arises that people are enjoying *Zombieland* so much because its "heroes" don't change much, never seem to be in much danger, and even get to hang out with a celebrity. There's nothing at stake. Is this the best Americans can do? France gave us *Les Revenants* a few years ago, and Canada produced the little-seen *Pontypool* earlier this year. Those films tried to run the zombie narrative through a different and intriguing filter. *Zombieland* adds nothing to the subgenre. It's crude wish-fulfillment (yes, you *World of Warcraft*-playing nobodies can shotgun a bunch of undead and get the girl) best forgotten.

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### Meet an American Sailing Hero in Marion

Considered one of the top singlehanded offshore sailors in the world, Rich Wilson will speak about his sailing adventures on **November 14** at the Marion Music Hall.

Rich is the second American to ever finish the Vendee Globe Race – a solo, around the world, non-stop race. During the 28,790-mile grueling race which took 121 days, Rich suffered broken ribs, a severe gash to his face, hurricane force gales, and crushing fatigue.

From Marblehead, MA, Rich has an uncommon background for an offshore sailor. He holds an undergraduate degree and an MBA from Harvard University as well as a second Masters Degree from MIT. Wilson put his education to good use prior to his sailing career by performing technical analyses on cruise missile capabilities against Soviet radar defenses. Rich has combined his incredible education with his love of sailing. According to him, the primary objective for the Vendee Globe Race is to “use this unique global event to excite and engage young students about science, math and geography by connecting them to a live adventure. That was the best part,” said Rich.

The Rich Wilson Talk will be at 5:00 pm at Marion Music Hall on **Saturday, November 14**. Tickets are available at the door: Adults are \$15, free for kids and students 18 and under.

### Marion Natural Museum Fall Schedule

Set aside the following dates for some fun at the Marion Natural Museum after school.

**October 21** - The Mystery of Shells! Let's learn some basic shell identification techniques and collection practices by investigating the museum's Doane shell collection. Please bring your own shell collection if you have one to share.

**October 28** - Do you ever watch Mythbusters and think: “I'd love to do that job?”

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## MARION

### Log highlights October 4 - October 10

- Route 6 – Motor vehicle stop
- Wilson Rd – General service
- Mill St. – Animal complaint
- Olde Knoll Rd – Burglar alarm
- Front St – B & E/past
- Wareham Rd – Suspicious motor vehicle
- Clark St – Suspicious activity
- Main St – Fire alarm
- Allen St – Animal complaint
- Parkway Ln – Paper service
- Sherman's Way – Officer wanted
- Cranberry way – Medical emergency
- Wareham Rd – MVA/injury
- Main St – Medical emergency
- Green St – Animal complaint
- Spring St – Lockout
- Old Indian Trl – Vandalism/past
- Front St – DMV
- Spring St – Burglar alarm
- Mill St – Medical emergency
- West Ave – General service
- Allen's Point Rd – Assist/municipal agency
- Front St – DMV
- Holmes St – Paper service
- Main St – Motor vehicle stop
- Route 195 East - DMV
- Overpass Front St - DMV
- Piney Point Rd – Burglar alarm
- Clark St – Animal control
- Wareham Rd – Motor vehicle complaint

## MATTAPOISETT

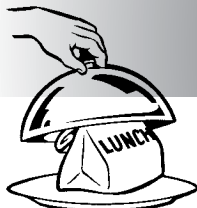
### Log highlights October 04 –October 10

- Eldorado Dr – Suspicious motor vehicle
- County Rd – MV crash
- Marion Rd – Disturbance
- Pine St – Disturbance
- Industrial Dr - MV violations
- Marion Rd – Vandalism
- Acushnet Rd – Ambulance request
- Church St Ext. – Health/welfare
- Church St – General service
- I195 east – MV violations
- Holly Woods Rd – Fire, structure
- North St – Stolen property
- Marion Rd – MV crash
- Angelica Ave – Harbormaster
- Water St – Harbormaster
- Oakland St – Alarm, burglar
- Church St – Ambulance request
- Tobey Ln – Animal control
- Bridle Path – Suspicious motor vehicle
- Brandt island Rd – Complaint
- Pine Island Rd – Fire, other
- Church St – MV crash
- Melanie Ln – Officer wanted
- Acushnet Rd – MV general
- Foster St – 209A order vacated
- County Rd – MV crash
- Pearl St – Animal control
- Church St – Parking violation
- Park St – Illegal dumping

## ROCHESTER

### Log highlights October 5 - October 13

- Dexter Ln – Complaint
- Rounseville Rd – Animal control
- Marion Rd – Motor vehicle stop
- Hartley Rd – Ambulance request
- Woodland Rd – vandalism
- Neck Rd – Officer wanted
- Mary's Pond Rd – Erratic operation
- Pine St – Missing person
- Union Church Terr – Alarm, burglar
- Dexter Ln – Officer wanted
- New Bedford Rd – Vandalism
- Dexter Ln – Threats
- Walnut Plain Rd – Robbery
- Cushman Rd – B & E
- Sarah Sherman Rd – Utilities
- Gerrish Rd – Traffic hazard
- Snipatuit Rd – Highway matter
- North Ave – Erratic operation
- Chilton Ln – Trespassing
- Rounseville Rd – Towed MV
- Neck Rd – Animal control
- Braley Hill Rd – Complaint
- North Ave – General services
- Neck Rd – Alarm, hold-up
- Bates Rd – General services
- County Rd – Ambulance request
- Neck Rd – Animal control
- Bennett Rd – Ambulance request
- Burgess Ave – Ambulance request



## LOCAL LUNCH MENUS

### COASTLINE ELDERLY NUTRITION PROGRAM

Monday Oct 19: German Day, stuffed cabbage w/tomato sauce, German potato salad, fruit muffin, pears  
 Tuesday Oct 20: Italian Day, Cheese lasagna w/cream sauce, Italian blend veg, multi grain roll, fresh orange  
 Wednesday Oct 21: Asian Day, Oriental soup, Polynesian (bone-in) chicken, Hawaiian rice, whole wheat roll, tropical smoothie, Diet: pudding  
 Thursday Oct 22: USA Day High sodium day, Lower sodium hot dog, mustard packet, veggie baked beans, glazed carrots, hot dog roll, fresh fruit  
 Friday Oct 23: Mediterranean Day High sodium day, Florentine style fish, penne w/tomato sauce,

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### MATTAPOISETT ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

Monday Oct 19: Chicken tenders, French fries, vegetable, fruit, choice of milk  
 Tuesday Oct 20: Hamburger w/wo cheese on a bun, baked chips, vegetable, fruit, choice of milk  
 Wednesday Oct 21: Spaghetti w/meat sauce, vegetable, fruit, choice of milk  
 Thursday Oct 22: Soup, toasted cheese, fruit, choice of milk  
 Friday Oct 23: Pizza, vegetable, fruit, choice of milk

### OLD ROCHESTER REGIONAL JUNIOR & SENIOR HIGH

Monday Oct 19: Chicken bites, potato smiles, vegetable, fruit, choice of milk  
 Tuesday Oct 20: Cheese or chicken quesadilla, vegetable, fruit, choice of milk

Wednesday Oct 21: Spaghetti, meat sauce, vegetable, fruit, choice of milk  
 Thursday Oct 22: Nachos with all the fixings, fruit, choice of milk  
 Friday Oct 23: Chicken mini quesadilla, vegetable, fruit, choice of milk

### ROCHESTER MEMORIAL SCHOOL

Monday Oct 19: Chicken tenders, French fries, vegetable, fruit, choice of milk  
 Tuesday Oct 20: Hamburger w/wo cheese on a bun, baked chips, vegetable, fruit, choice of milk  
 Wednesday Oct 21: American chop suey, vegetable, fruit, choice of milk  
 Thursday Oct 22: Soup, toasted cheese, fruit, choice of milk  
 Friday Oct 23: Pizza, vegetable, fruit, choice of milk

### SIPPICAN SCHOOL, MARION

Monday Oct 19: Chicken tenders,

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 Tuesday Oct 20: Hamburger w/wo cheese on a bun, baked chips, vegetable, fruit, choice of milk  
 Wednesday Oct 21: Spaghetti w/meat sauce, vegetable, fruit, choice of milk  
 Thursday Oct 22: Soup, toasted cheese, fruit, choice of milk  
 Friday Oct 23: Pizza, vegetable, fruit, choice of milk

### OLD COLONY REGIONAL VOKE HIGH SCHOOL

Monday Oct 19: Hot dog or chilidog, beans, chips, peas, peaches  
 Tuesday Oct 20: Steak-um sandwiches, fries, corn, applesauce, Jell-O  
 Wednesday Oct 21: Chicken Alfredo, broccoli, bread, pears  
 Thursday Oct 22: Waffles, sausage or bacon, hash brown, strawberries  
 Friday Oct 23: Stuff crust pizza, tossed salad, pineapples

more to their families, their communities, and the planet. This event will take place from 5:00 to 6:00 pm and is free of charge for junior and senior high school students.

**November 4** – T-Rex is awesome – I wish I had one! Come learn about fossils and fossil hunting. Amateur Paleontologist Jim Pierson will help us explore this unique world and learn how to start looking for your own T-Rex. Jim will also be bringing in examples of his own collection of rocks, minerals, and fossils from around the world to examine.

**November 18** – Is it a bird? A plane? No, it's Science teacher and amateur astronomer David Pierce who will be showing us how to operate the telescopes you've all been wondering about at the museum. You may also bring your own telescope if you have one. Let's learn about how to view distant objects through the lens.

**December 16** – Museum's Annual Holiday Party will include crafts to be built and snacks for the kids to enjoy. Free and open to the public.

• The Marion Natural History Museum would like to restart their lego/robotics clubs and we need a few reliable volunteers to help the kids. If your son or daughter has an interest in legos or lego robotics and you'd like to lend us a hand in getting a club started on Saturday mornings, please email the museum at [Lizleid@msn.com](mailto:Lizleid@msn.com) or call the museum at (508) 748-2098.

All of the above programs will be held at the museum, located above the Elizabeth Taber Library, 7 Spring Street, Marion, Mass. From 3:30 to 4:30 pm. Cost for all but the Rocket program (\$20.00) and the holiday party (Free) is \$4.00 for members, \$6.00 for non-members.

### Mattapoisett Town Clerk Notices

**State Primary** – A special election has been called for the vacancy left by the recent death of Senator Edward Kennedy. The primary date is **December 8, 2009**. The last day to register to vote in that election is November 18, 2009. The office will be open until 8pm on that day for voter registration. The State Election will be held on **January 19, 2010**, and the last day to register for that election is December 30, 2009.

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### Rochester Historical Society Meeting

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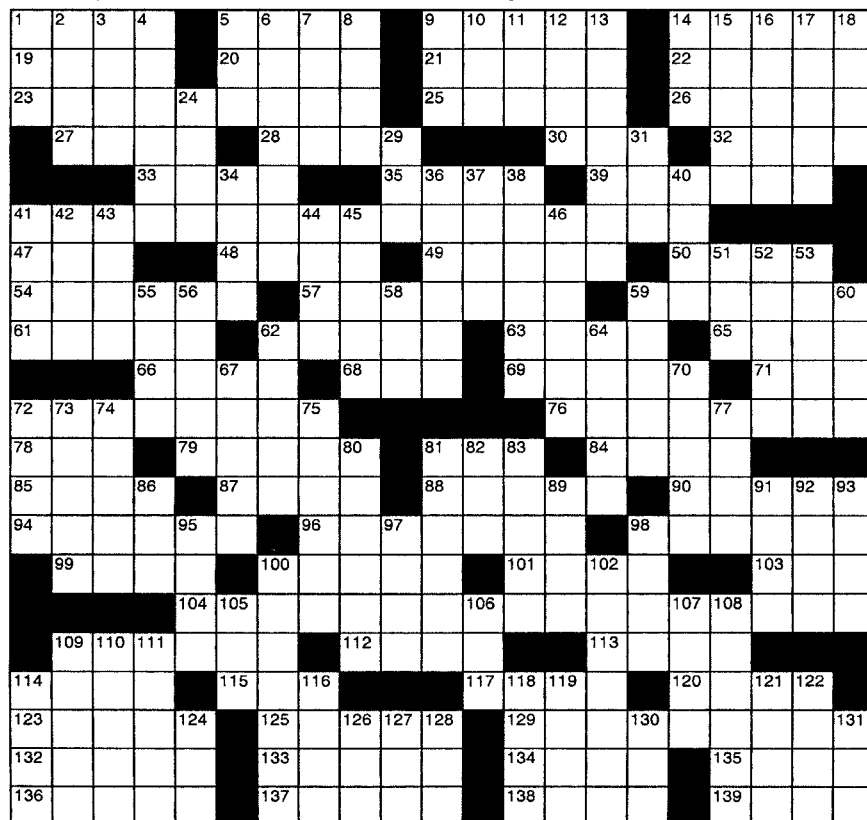
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10 Archaic preposition  
11 Spring  
12 TV's "— 12"  
13 Assist  
14 Current unit  
15 Schnauzer feature  
16 "Farewell, Francoist"  
17 Transmits  
18 Bartholomew Cubbins' problem  
24 Grimm creature  
29 Evergreen tree  
31 Bunyan's whacker  
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37 "— Have to Go" ('60 hit)  
38 Silverware city  
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56 Alpine area  
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59 Composer  
60 Franck  
62 Iranian religion  
64 Opinions  
67 Draconian  
70 Boa, but not cobra  
72 Foot part  
73 Wingdings  
74 "Tommy" or "Tannhauser"  
75 Treasure  
77 Martha of "Some Came Running"  
80 "Spanish —" ('61 song)  
81 Thyroid and pituitary  
82 Horror film extra  
83 Book part  
86 "ER" staffers  
89 Completes the cake  
91 Anita Loos comedy  
92 "— may look on a king"  
93 Switch  
95 Ferrara first family  
97 Actor Enriquez  
98 Kruger or Reville  
100 Doctrine doubter  
102 Haifa native  
105 "Yo!"  
106 "Yay!"  
107 At any time  
108 Most sweeping  
109 Cugat consort  
110 Composer Copland  
111 Salon solution  
114 Jets, Mets, or Nets  
116 Dorothy's dog  
118 Impress  
119 Big bird  
121 Auel heroine  
122 Potatoes' partner  
124 Arrange type  
126 Pallid  
127 Yore  
128 Bread or booze  
130 Neighbor of Wis.  
131 Ems, for instance



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## SALOME'S STARS

**ARIES** (March 21 to April 19) A changing situation calls for a change in plans. Although you might prefer the schedule you had already worked up, you could do better by agreeing to make the needed adjustments.

**TAURUS** (April 20 to May 20) That once seemingly rock-solid proposition you favored might be hiding some serious flaws. Take time to check it more carefully and question anything that seems out of kilter.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) Finish up those lingering tasks so that you can then arrange to spend some time in quiet reflection. This will go a long way in restoring both your physical and spiritual energies.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) A family situation could heat up and boil over unless you deal with it as soon as possible. Try to persuade other family members to work with you to help cool things down.

**LEO** (July 23 to August 22) Cheer up, Kitty Cat! That low feeling will begin to ebb by midweek, and you should be back in the social swirl in time for the weekend. A long-postponed deal could be starting up again.

**VIRGO** (August 23 to September 22) Going too fast and too far on too little knowledge could be risky. Best to slow down and check for any gaps in your information. It's what you don't know that could hurt you.

**LIBRA** (September 23 to October 22) Trying to make peace among quarreling family members, friends or colleagues can be tough. Expect some resistance, maybe even some expressions of resentment. But stay with it.

**SCORPIO** (October 23 to November 21) Changing your mind doesn't have to be a problem once you realize that you might have good and sufficient cause to do so. Make your explanations clear and complete. Good luck.

**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22 to December 21) An unkept promise can be irksome and easily raise the Archer's ire. But instead of getting into a confrontation, take time to check why someone you relied on came up short.

**CAPRICORN** (December 22 to January 19) A new workplace distraction creates an unnecessary delay. The sooner you deal with it, the better for all concerned. A personal matter also should be attended to as soon as possible.

**AQUARIUS** (January 20 to February 18) Once again, the Aquarian's gift for applying both practical and creative methods to resolve a situation makes all the difference. Personal relationships thrive during the weekend.

**PISCES** (February 19 to March 20) A relationship appears to be losing its once-strong appeal for reasons that might be different from what you think. An open and honest talk could lead to some surprising revelations.

**BORN THIS WEEK:** Your life is bound by your belief that character counts more than anything else.

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### Senior Stretch and Exercise

The Senior Stretch and Exercise meets every Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, from 9:30 to 10:30 am, at the First Congregational Church Fellowship Hall in Marion. The cost for the 10-week session is \$45 for three days a week. The first class is free, and you may join a session at anytime. Those who start the 4 or 5th week, pay \$32; those who start the 6 - 10th week pay \$25. Each class includes low-impact aerobics, weights and stretching appropriate for all fitness levels. The funding is provided by the Friends of the Marion Visiting Nurses.

The instructor is Karen Corcoran who is certified as a "Specialist in Fitness for Older Adults" and is CPR and AED certified. Karen designs a new program for each 10-week session combining cardiovascular, strength training, flexibility, and balance exercises. Contact Karen Corcoran at (508) 295-1567 with any questions.

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<p><b>LEGAL NOTICE</b>  <b>TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT</b>  <b>CONSERVATION COMMISSION</b>  The Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday October 26, 2009 at 6:30pm in the Town Hall on the Request for A Determination of Applicability submitted by Anne B. O'Brien Stavros. The Applicant proposes to construct a 20'x30' bluestone patio, bluestone transition steps and an 8'x8.2' addition to the existing shed within Land Subject to Coastal Storm Flowage and the 100 ft. Buffer Zone of a Coastal Bank and Coastal Beach. The project is located at 52 Shore Drive and is further identified as Lot #16 on Mattapoisett Assessor Map #4  Conservation Commission 10/15</p> <hr/> <p><b>LEGAL NOTICE</b>  <b>TOWN OF ROCHESTER</b>  <b>SPECIAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT</b>  <b>COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS</b>  Plymouth, ss.  To the Constable(s) of the Town of Rochester in the County of Plymouth, Greetings.  In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town qualified to vote in Town affairs to meet at the Rochester Memorial School, 16 Pine Street in said Town on Monday, October 26, 2009 at seven p.m. (7:00 p.m.) then and there to act on the following articles:  <b>ARTICLE 1: ROCHESTER MEMORIAL SCHOOL RENOVATION/ADDITION</b>  To see if the Town will vote to appropriate, borrow or transfer from available funds, a sum of money to be expended under the direction of the School Building Committee for renovation and addition to Rochester Memorial School, 16 Pine Street, Rochester, MA, which the school facility shall have an anticipated useful life as an educational facility for the instruction of school children of at least 50 years, and for which the Town may be eligible for a school construction grant from the Massachusetts School Building Authority ("MSBA"). The MSBA's grant program is a non-entitlement, discretionary program based on need, as determined by the MSBA, and any project costs the Town incurs in excess of any grant approved by and received from the MSBA shall be the sole responsibility of the Town. Any grant that the Town of Rochester may receive from MSBA for the Project shall not exceed the lesser of (1) 57.94 percent (%) of eligible, approved project costs, as determined by the MSBA, or (2) the total maximum grant amount determined by the MSBA.  <b>ARTICLE 2: PARCEL OF LAND TO BE REZONED</b>  To see if the Town will amend the Zoning Map to rezone the following parcels of land from its current zoning to General Commercial. Map 17 Lot 41B in its entirety and that portion of May 17 Lot 41C that is currently zoned Industrial or Residential. The above described parcel contains an area of 26.26 acres, more or less, and is more particularly shown as "Parcel to be Rezoned" on plan entitled "Exhibit Plan", dated September 3, 2009, scale 1"=100' prepared by Allen and Major Associates, Inc.  Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of said meeting.  Given under our hands this 5th of October 2009</p>	<p>Rochester Board of Selectmen  Richard D Nunes, Chairman  Bradford N. Morse, Vice Chairman  Naida L. Parker, Clerk</p> <p>By virtue of this Warrant I have this day notified and warned the inhabitants of the Town of Rochester, qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs, to meet in the Rochester Memorial School Cafetorium, Pine Street, in said Town on Monday the 26th of October 2009 at the time and place for the purpose herein named by posting up attested copies thereon in the following places:  Rochester Post Office , Outside the Rochester Town Hall, Plumb Library, Council on Aging, Rochester Web Site  A true copy:  Attest  October, 6, 2009  David L. Hughes, Constable 10/15</p> <hr/> <p><b>LEGAL NOTICE</b>  <b>TOWN OF MARION</b>  <b>ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS</b>  The Marion Zoning Board of Appeals will convene at 7:30 pm on Thursday, October 29, 2009, in the Main Conference Room of the Marion Town House. This open meeting will include the discussion of the revision of established rules governing 40B projects.  Zoning Board of Appeals 10/08, 10/15</p> <hr/> <p><b>LEGAL NOTICETOWN OF ROCHESTER</b>  <b>CONSERVATION COMMISSION</b>  <b>TOWN FOREST COMMITTEE</b>  A public hearing will be held on Tuesday, October 20, 2009 at 7:00 pm in the Town Hall Conference Room regarding a Notice of Intent filed by Louis Baptiste, Jr. The applicant is proposing to construct a single-family dwelling, in ground pool and 1,200 linear feet of driveway. Approximately 400 linear feet of driveway, a proposed 12' X 16' shed and earthwork and grading associated with the dwelling and pool will occur within the 100-foot buffer zone. Said project as proposed will result in the alteration of 7,840 square feet of bordering land subject to flooding.  The subject property is located at Clapp Road in Rochester, and is designated as Lot #31 on Assessors' Map #30. The property owner of record is same as the applicant. The applicant's representative is David M. Davignon of N. Douglas Schneider &amp; Associates, Inc. This hearing is being held under the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act, MGL Ch. 131, Section 40 and the Town of Rochester Wetlands Protection By-Law.  Rosemary T. Smith, Chairperson 10/15</p> <hr/> <p><b>LEGAL NOTICE</b>  <b>TOWN OF MARION</b>  <b>BOARD OF HEALTH</b>  The Marion Board of Health will conduct a public hearing on Tuesday, October 27, 2009 at 4:45 PM in the Main Conference Room of the Marion Town House on the variance request submitted by CLE Engineering pertaining to the property located at 11 Point Road, further identified as Map 1/Lots 1, 8A. The following variance is requested from State Environmental Code Title V:  310 CMR 15.212 a variance to the groundwater separation to 3 foot separation.  Albin R. Johnson III, Chairman 10/15, 10/22</p>	<p><b>LEGAL NOTICE</b>  <b>TOWN OF MARION</b>  <b>CONSERVATION COMMISSION</b>  The Marion Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, October 28, 2009 at 7:10 pm in the Town House conference room on a Notice of Intent submitted by 96 MOORINGS ROAD NOMINEE TRUST, c/o WILLIAM R. &amp; DEBORAH B. ELFERS, TRUSTEES, for the following work at 96 Moorings Road, shown as Lot 10B on Marion Assessors' Map 20: (1) construct additions on the northerly side of the dwelling, and (2) relocate the septic tank and pump chamber. Plans are available at the Town House for review.  Norman A. Hills, Chairman 10/15</p> <hr/> <p><b>LEGAL NOTICE</b>  <b>TOWN OF MARION</b>  <b>CONSERVATION COMMISSION</b>  The Marion Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, October 28, 2009 at 7:20 pm in the Town House conference room on a Notice of Intent submitted by GAYGS NOMINEE TRUST, c/o GALE P. RUNNELLS, TRUSTEE, to raze the dwelling at 5 Shawondasse Road, construct a new dwelling, and perform associated site grading. The site is further identified as Lot 85 on Marion Assessors' Map 19. Plans are available at the Town House for review.  Norman A. Hills, Chairman 10/15</p> <hr/> <p><b>LEGAL NOTICE</b>  <b>TOWN OF MARION</b>  <b>CONSERVATION COMMISSION</b>  The Marion Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, October 28, 2009 at 7:30 pm in the Town House conference room on a Notice of Intent submitted by NANCY D. &amp; GREGORY JOHNSON to construct a 700'-long elevated walkway, a 55'-long pier, a 3' x 24' ramp and a 12' x 12' float at 406 Point Road, shown as Lots 16 and 16A on Marion Assessors' Map 2. Plans are available at the Town House for review.  Norman A. Hills, Chairman 10/15</p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Place your classified ads</b>  <b>24 hours a day</b>  <b>7 days a week</b>  <b>on-line at</b>  <b>www.wanderer.com</b></p>

Sunday. The pulpit is filled with volunteers from the congregation or guest speakers. Nancy Sparklin is in charge of the music, assisted by Charles Chace.

On the second Sunday of the month, following the service, everyone is invited to join together for food and fellowship at a brunch prepared by the members of the congregation. The church is handicap-accessible. For more information on special events or changes to the schedule, please call Barbara Besse at (508) 763-8838. Please note that the church is not UCC affiliated.

*This month's schedule:*

**October 18** - Reverend Dr. Kathy Gayoski

**October 25** - Steve Barnicoat

### Plumb Corner Halloween Celebration

The businesses of Plumb Corner Mall in Rochester and Rochester Lion's Club will have their annual Halloween Celebration on Saturday, **October 24** at the Plumb Corner Mall on Route 105 in Rochester from 4:00 until 7:00 pm. There will be a costume contest and pumpkin-carving contest. Businesses will be open for trick or treating. Entertainment will be provided for the children. Tractors will be available for hay rides through the woods.

The Boy Scouts of Rochester will have a can and bottle drive on Saturday, October 24 from 10:00 am to 7:00 pm. They will also be picking up cell phones for no charge. For a charge of \$5 each, the Boy Scouts will take your old TVs and computer monitors. Recycle console TVs will be \$20.

Come join us Saturday, October 24 for the fun and entertainment. Call (508) 763-5503 for more information.

### Mattapoisett Maconchu Club

The first meeting of the 2009-2010 season for the Maconchu Club will be a potluck supper on Saturday, **October 17** at 6:00 pm at the Mattapoisett Congregational Church. Members and guests are reminded to bring their place settings and a dish to share with others – a main dish or a salad. Dessert and coffee will be served by the Refreshment Committee.

Kathy Gaudette will be Hetty Greene for the program that night, and she will make you believe you are really meeting Hetty. Come enjoy the dinner and the programs. Guests are always welcome.

### Marion Cultural Council

Forms are now available at the Elizabeth Taber Library for applying to the Marion Cultural Council for grants to fund projects related to the arts, humanities, and interpretative sciences. Completed applications should be sent to the Cultural Council at the Marion Town House, 2 Spring Street and must be postmarked by **October 15**. Instructions are included. Application forms may also be found online at [www.massculturalcouncil.org](http://www.massculturalcouncil.org).



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### The Nasketucket Bird Club

The Nasketucket Bird Club invites the public to its next meeting on **October 22**, Thursday, at 7:00 pm. Mike Labossiere, the club's president, as well as a past Feederwatch Ambassador for the Cornell Lab of ornithology, will speak about back-yard bird feeding. We will also learn also about the Feederwatch Program, its merits and outreach. Meetings are held at the Mattapoisett Public Library, 7 Barstow Street. Please use the south side entrance. For more information please call Mike Labossiere @ 508-863-5658.

### Mattapoisett Cultural Council Seeks Funding

The Mattapoisett Cultural Council is pleased to announce that applications are now available at the Selectman's Office in the Town Hall for organizations or individuals interested in applying for grants for projects in the community-oriented arts, humanities, and sciences

The Mattapoisett Cultural Council has set an **October 15** deadline for organizations, schools and individuals to apply for grants that support cultural activities in the community.

These grants can support a variety of artistic projects and activities in Mattapoisett -- including exhibits, festivals, short-term artist residencies or performances in schools, workshops and lectures.

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Contact Rebecca McCann, Mattapoisett Cultural Council Chair, at [ramcann@aol.com](mailto:ramcann@aol.com) for specific guidelines and information. Application forms and more information about the Local Cultural Council Program are available on the web at: [www.massculturalcouncil.org/applications/applications.html](http://www.massculturalcouncil.org/applications/applications.html).

We welcome volunteers to be a part of the LCC making decision for our town arts and education.

### ORR School Committee Leadership Change

At the September 9 Old Rochester Regional School Committee meeting, Robert Nectow, a Marion representative and the School Committee Chairman for the past five years, bid farewell to his School Committee colleagues and the school administrators present. Mr. Nectow had announced in August that he would be leaving the School Committee in September because of professional commitments that made school committee participation increasingly difficult. The Old Rochester Regional School Committee members thanked Mr. Nectow for his service and then reorganized for the 2009-2010 term by electing Peter Bangs of Rochester as the new Chairman and James O'Brien, also of Rochester, as the new Vice-Chairman. Paul Silva of Mattapoisett was re-elected to his post as District Treasurer. This will be the second tour of duty as the Old Rochester Regional Chairman for Dr. Bangs, who held the post in 2001 as a Mattapoisett resident.

The Marion Select Board and the two remaining Marion representatives on the School Committee, Paula Meere and Joseph Scott, addressed the vacancy at a Select Board meeting on September 15, 2009, with respect to Marion representation on the Old Rochester Regional School Committee prompted by Mr. Nectow's departure. **Dr. John Russell** was endorsed unanimously by the five-person panel. Dr. Russell will serve for the balance of Mr. Nectow's term until May 2010.

### The Lions Club News

**Youth Speech Competition** – The Mattapoisett Lions Club is once again this year hosting a youth speech competition. The competition is open to all Mattapoisett students attending grades 10, 11, 12, and will be held in late November. The winner has a chance to advance to the zone, district and statewide competition with monetary awards at each level. The topic of this year's speech is "Is America Truly the Land of the Free." This competition will test your ability to develop the subject matter and express your opinions to your community. Each speech should last no less than five minutes and no longer than ten minutes. For a complete set of rules and regulations,



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Upcoming special events include electronics recycling on Saturday, **November 7**, 10:00 am to 2:00 pm, at the Lions Dens - A.K.A Holy Ghost Grounds on Park St. Prices range from \$3 for keyboards, to \$18 for televisions. Please visit our website for a complete list of prices. [www.mattapoisettlionsclub.org](http://www.mattapoisettlionsclub.org)

Monday, **November 16**, is an evening bus trip to Joslin Diabetes Center. The cost is \$25 including dinner, details will be provided at our October 14th meeting.

Due to an overwhelming demand for events to be listed on our bulletin board located on the corner of route 6 and North St, please send your requests for events listings at least two weeks prior to the event to Mattapoisett Lions Club P.O. Box 1022, Mattapoisett, MA 02739. Listings are subject to space availability.

### Mattapoisett Tree Committee

The Mattapoisett Tree Committee invites the public to participate in choosing planting sites for new trees on town-owned land. This includes street-side trees adjacent to town roads, as well as the grounds of town-owned buildings and parcels. Please contact us if you know of a good planting location so that we can include it among the places we are considering for planting trees in Mattapoisett. Contact Chairman Elaine Botelho at (508) 758-4909 or Sandy Hering at (508) 758-3008.

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Paige Watterson	October 15
Carolyn Pruchnik	October 17
Ross J. Gracia	October 17
Matthew Underhill	October 18
Michael Pruchnik	October 18
David Hughes	October 19
David Hughes	October 19
Cyndy Hebert	October 20

If you would like The Wanderer to announce a birthday for yourself, a friend or family member, please submit your information online to us at [www.wanderer.com/birthday](http://www.wanderer.com/birthday). To submit information by regular mail, please send the person's name (month and day) along with your name and phone number so we can confirm the information to Birthdays, c/o The Wanderer, P.O. Box 102, Mattapoisett, MA 02739. You may submit birthday announcements anytime during the year and they will be published/posted during the appropriate week.

*Remember to check The Wanderer each week so you will know who to wish a "Happy Birthday!"*

## Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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**DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★★★**

★ Moderate    ★★ Challenging  
★★★ HOO BOY!

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### Sippican Choral Society

The Holiday Concert will be held **December 4** at Grace Episcopal Church in New Bedford, and **December 6** at Wickenden Chapel, Tabor Academy in Marion. Classical selections and traditional Christmas music will be featured. Rehearsals will be held on Monday evenings 7:30 - 9:30 pm in the Mattapoisett Congregational Church's Reynaud Hall, 27 Church Street, Mattapoisett. For more information contact: osuch1@aol.com. Check our web site at [www.sippicanchoral.org](http://www.sippicanchoral.org).

### Mattapoisett Recreation

Sign ups for the Junior High Mattapoisett Recreation Basketball Program will be held on Thursday, **October 22**, 6:00 - 8:00 pm at the Old Hammondtown School Gymnasium. Evaluations will be held in the same location on Saturday **October 24**, as follows:

- Grade 7 and 8 Girls 9:00 - 9:45 am.
- Grade 7 Boys 10:00 - 11:00 am.
- Grade 8 Boys 11:00 - Noon.

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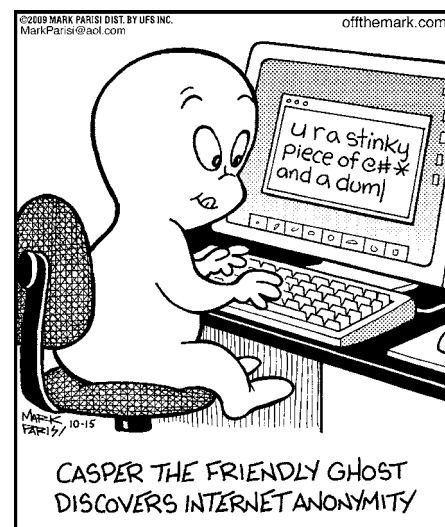
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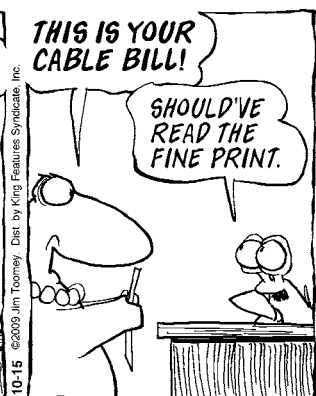
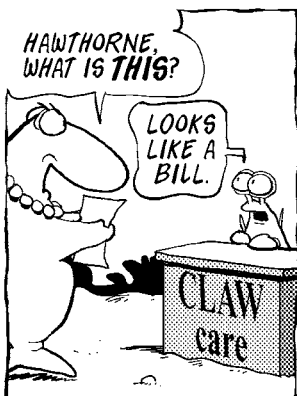
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through 23 months) accompanied by their enthusiastic adult companion (one child per lap, please). Each program will last about 20 minutes, with time for parents and children to enjoy each other's company and the library's resources afterwards. The series will be held Tuesday mornings at 10:30 am through **November 24**. Sign-up is required.

- For more information, or to sign up for storytimes, stop by the library, or contact Rosemary Grey, Children's Librarian at rgrey@sailsinc.org. The library is located at 8 Spring Street in Marion. The library phone number is (508) 748-1252. Information about library programs is also available on the library's website: [www.sailsinc.org/marion](http://www.sailsinc.org/marion).

### Plumb Library Events

- "Just the Facts", the nonfiction book discussion group, will be talking about *A Delusion of Satan*, by Frances Hill, an in-depth look at the Salem Witch Trials. We will be meeting on Monday, **October 19**, at 6:30 pm.

Copies of the book are available at the library, or bring your own copy.

- The Friends of Plumb Library will hold their Annual Meeting on Tuesday, **October 20**, at 6:30 pm at the library. We will be electing officers and planning for the upcoming year. Refreshments will be served by the Board of Trustees, in appreciation of the Friends' work through the year.

- On Monday, **October 26**, from 6:30-7:30 pm, the library will hold their Halloween party for ages 3 and up. Children are invited to come in costume for games, face painting, and other treats. Call the library or drop by to register.

- Cafe Parlez book discussion group will discuss *Shutter Island* by Dennis Lehane for their October selection. Books are available at the library, or bring your own. Discussion will take place on Thursday, **October 29**, at 6:30 pm. Refreshments are served. This program is supported by the Friends of Plumb Library.

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Olney, Kenneth Anderson, Anne Marie	Gaffey, Barry T Gaffey, Kathleen M	43 Converse Rd	Marion	09/30/2009	195000
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Camara, Wayne J Bliss-camara, Bonnie	Sanders, Charles S Sanders, Kathy M	81 Lewis St	Marion	09/28/2009	435000
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		a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.
October 15:	Thurs.	6:00	6:26	...	12:03
October 16:	Fri.	6:52	7:16	12:21	12:51
October 17:	Sat.	7:40	8:03	12:56	1:36
October 18:	Sun.	8:26	8:47	1:31	2:18
October 19:	Mon.	9:10	9:32	2:08	2:58
October 20:	Tues.	9:55	10:16	2:46	3:38
October 21:	Wed.	10:41	11:02	3:25	4:17
October 22:	Thurs.	11:28	11:50	4:05	4:57
October 23:	Fri.	...	12:17	4:47	5:42
October 24:	Sat.	12:40	1:08	5:33	6:35
October 25:	Sun.	1:32	2:00	6:28	7:47
October 26:	Mon.	2:26	2:54	7:43	9:09
October 27:	Tues.	3:21	3:49	9:21	10:03
October 28:	Wed.	4:16	4:42	10:29	10:43
October 29:	Thurs.	5:07	5:31	11:16	11:20
October 30:	Fri.	5:52	6:15	11:58	11:55
October 31:	Sat.	6:34	6:57	...	12:38
November 1:	Sun.	6:14	6:39	12:31	12:19

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October 26th  
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